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DAILY GAZETTE.

THE LATEST NEWS.

Condensed Telegrams from All Quarters.

—Disraeli's health has improved.

—The Senate has confirmed T. B. Axtell as Governor of Utah Territory.

—Henry Washington, a cousin of George Washington, died at Shreveport, La., on the 18th, aged 80.

—Joseph Knowles, senior publisher of the Providence (R. I.) *Journal* since 1838, died on Monday morning.

—Lewis E. Parsons has been nominated for United States District Judge of Alabama, vice Richard Busteed, resigned.

—Daniel von Gruning, for many years consular agent of the Italian Government in Richmond, Va., died suddenly last Sunday evening of apoplexy.

—J. B. Plumb, M. P., of Toronto, Can., who a short time ago was arrested for bribery by his agents, has been re-elected to represent Niagara in the Dominion Parliament.

—A City of Mexico dispatch says: "It is reported that Mormons in the United States propose to found colonies in Mexico, with the intention of emigrating *en masse* from Utah."

—Robert Bonner has purchased of Richard Peniston, of Lexington, Ky., his famous three year old mare Lady Stout, paying $25,000. In the last fall meeting at Lexington the mare made the fastest time for three year olds on record then.

—A fire occurred at Petersburg, Pike county, Ind., on Sunday morning, which consumed the dwellings of Elias Osborne, Sr. and Junior. Elias Osborn, Sr., a veteran of the war of 1812, was so badly burned that he has since died. He was seventy-six years old, and was one of the pioneers of Pike county.

—At a meeting of the boilers of Wheeling on Saturday night last, a resolution was adopted justifying the action of the Pittsburgh boilers, and offering them pecuniary aid during the suspension of work. The meeting was very large. President Harris, of the Pittsburgh Union, addressed the assemblage.

—Forty-nine Conservative members of the Mississippi Legislature have issued an address, in which they claim that "Perfect peace and order now reign in Warren county, and that there has been no violence or bloodshed there except what was occasioned by a manly defense of the people of Vicksburg against armed bodies, who were, by the connivance of the Governor of the State, marching on that city for the purpose of bringing about a conflict of races."

STATE BREVITIES.

YORK county has over $6,000,000 locked up in its unsold crops.

A unsuccessful attempt was made to rob the Exchange Bank at Franklin on Friday last.

MORGAN OLIVER, of Karn's City, was shot at, on Tuesday last, but he put spurs to his horse and escaped.

WITHIN the last few days the Conduit Company have carried into the Butler oil district over twenty miles of tubing, with a view to extend branches through every portion of the lower oil field.

MACK ROBBINS, formerly of Troy, and now a popular conductor of the Oil Creek Railroad, has taken a life partner, of whom the *Daily Derrick* says she is "one of the sweetest singers of Oil City, and long a member of the choir of Christ Church."

IF one should count up the number of murders committed in this county during the past ten years, and then turn to the hanging record, a discrepancy would be found calculated to disgust anybody with the rule of proportion.—*Shenandoah Herald.*

THE Secretary of the Crawford County Dairyman's Association, reports that the Association was organized in 1801, and has greatly prospered. There are now in the county 55 cheese factories, the products of which for this year is not less than 6,000,000 lbs., worth $650,000.

THE Crawford County Commissioners announce that the tax levy for 1874 will be reduced from seven to four mills for county and poor purposes, and $10,000 more of the county debt paid. Reduced taxation, the payment of the debt and economy in expenditures is good policy.

A TERRIBLE BOILER EXPLOSION occurred at the Dawson well, near Millerstown, Thursday last, large pieces of the boiler being thrown a distance of four hundred feet. There was no loss of life, but the terrible concussion shattered windows and shook buildings in the vicinity.

THE legislature of Pennsylvania next session, in its humane regard for grey squirrels and rabbits, in prescribing seasons in which they can be lawfully shot, should not forget foreigners. English, French, Italians, Chinese, Germans, Irish, Negroes, and Bohemians.

A MAN named Barney McCue, convicted of murder, was brought before the Lycoming Court for sentence. He vehemently protested his innocence and when the Court passed the death sentence, calmly said: "Thank you, sir; I suppose they will be satisfied with my dying once."

AN engineer, employed on the Mountain Division, informs the Altoona *Tribune* that on Tuesday afternoon a doe got on the track ahead of his locomotive, while going down the west side of the mountain, and for the distance of a half mile kept straight on the track a short distance in front of the locomotive, when it turned off into a woodland road and was soon out of sight.

MR. GEORGE THOMPSON was shot and killed by Mr. Joseph Braun, on Mountain top, near Altoona last Saturday. Mr. Braun was out hunting and seeing a portion of Mr. Thompson's body through the underbrush, thought it was a deer and fired. A shot passed through the head, killing the man instantly. A Coroner's jury exculpated Mr. Braun from blame. The victim was a young man.

Specie Resumption—A Plan Suggested.

To the Editors of the Pittsburgh Gazette:

The currency question very naturally engrosses public attention, and innumerable plans have been suggested (each one presumed to afford an infallible remedy) to help us out of our present straits. There are many who crave more currency, forgetting that we have now just as much as we have had for the last ten years—a currency, counting national bank paper, legal tender and fractional currency, which in round numbers aggregate the very respectable sum of eight hundred millions of promises to pay. Now, surely a currency so enormous in amount is amply adequate to "move the crops" or do any other sort of work. It occurs to me, then, that the difficulty does not arise from the positive scarcity of currency, but from the unpleasant circumstance that by some means it has are full of it to very repletion, and fear to disconnect because of the risk of its not returning.

I assume then of our currency—like boarding house coffee—that there is plenty of it, such as it is; and that our monetary troubles arise less from its quantity than its quality, and that the sooner we get back to the money of the Constitution the better for all of us. And just here appears to be the hitch. Nearly every one agrees the progress speciewards should be gradual, and when so many plans have been suggested why may not the writer ventilate his own especial views? My plan would be for the United States to issue legal tender to the banks for the *par* of their bonds now on deposit in the Treasury, and compel the banks to surrender their issues for cancellation—thus saving to the Treasury all the interest now paid on these bonds—say $20,000,000 annually—and having only one kind of currency in circulation. Then the Treasury, on presentation of legal tender notes in sums of $1,000, or of any multiple thereof, redeem the same in five per cent. gold coin, and the other four-fifths in bonds, in equal sums, bearing 5 per cent. interest, payable in coin in one, two, three or four years. The revenues of the Government, economically administered, could meet these bonds as they matured, besides it is not at all likely that all the currency would be presented for redemption; for all those who prefer paper to coin would of course be disposed to hold on to the currency and even many who now feel as if they would prefer the coin, would scarcely take the trouble to send their greenbacks forward for redemption, when they were absolutely certain they would be redeemed.

If we are to have that best of all sorts of money—specie and paper redeemable on demand—then it occurs to me that all the people should derive the profit incident to the issue of paper money, and the National Banks will be placed upon the level of all other banks, and cease to receive every year a *bonus* from the public treasury as a reward for loaning currency to their customers.

I know my views differ from yours in the general question I have attempted to discuss, but presume that fact will not prevent your laying my views, crudely as they may be expressed, before your readers. I cannot see how the currency question should necessarily be regarded as a party question. A political question it certainly is in the proper sense of that much abused and illy understood phrase; and under whatespecial aspiration county or State Conventions are supposed to issue their *excathedra* utterances upon tariffs and finance, and assume in the aggregate a politico-economical infallibility, is surely far more than any fellow can find out."

R. M. R.

FIRST EDITION.

FORTY-THIRD CONGRESS.

(SECOND SESSION.)

The New Finance Bill Reported in the Senate.

The Pacific Mail Subsidy Investigation.

Irwin Refuses to Tell How He Disposed of $750,000.

His Arrest Ordered by the House.

WASHINGTON, December 21, 1874.

SENATE.

The New Finance Bill.

Mr. SHERMAN, from the Committee on Finance, reported a bill to provide for the resumption of specie payments. Read twice and placed on the calendar. He gave notice that he would call the bill up to-morrow after the expiration of the morning hour.

Proposed Amendments to the Constitution.

Mr. MORTON gave notice that on the first day of the session after the recess, at the expiration of the morning hour, he would ask the Senate to proceed with the consideration of the proposed amendments to the Constitution of the United States in regard to the election of President and Vice President, reported by the Committee on Privileges and Elections last session.

Overworked Street Car Conductors.

Mr. THURMAN submitted a resolution instructing the Committee on the District of Columbia to inquire whether any legislation is necessary for the protection of street railroad conductors in the District of Columbia against the regulations of such companies requiring conductors to work an unreasonable number of hours out of the twenty-four.

Mr. THURMAN said he had received numerous complaints to the effect that conductors were required to work seventeen and eighteen hours out of the twenty-four. Agreed to.

Contract Surgeons.

Mr. LOGAN called up the resolution submitted by him last week to suspend so much of the act of June 23rd, 1874, reorganizing the several staff corps of the army, as applies to contract surgeons, till February 1st, 1875. Agreed to.

Territory of Pembina.

Mr. BOREMAN moved that the vote by which the Senate bill to establish the Territory of Pembina, and to provide a temporary Government thereof, was rejected on the third reading on the 20th of May last, be reconsidered, and that the bill be recommitted to the Committee on Territories. Agreed to.

Legislative Appropriation Bill.

The House bill making appropriations for the legislative, judicial and executive expenses of the Government for the fiscal year ending June 30th, 1876, was read by its title, and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mississippi River.

Mr. CHANDLER, from the Committee on Commerce, reported with amendments the House bill for further security of navigation on the Mississippi river. Placed on the calendar.

District of Columbia Government.

The morning hour having expired, the Senate resumed consideration of the bill to provide a better Government for the District of Columbia, the pending question being on the motion of Mr. MORTON to provide for the election of a Board of Commissioners by the qualified voters, instead of having them appointed by the President.

Mr. SARGENT said the bill, too, was much burdened with details, which would be a hindrance to those called upon to construe it.

Mr. SAULSBURY opposed the amendment, and deprecated the attempt to make a party measure of the bill.

Mr. LOGAN favored the amendment, and agreed with the Senator from California (Sargent). He said he believed the District would be much better governed if allowed to elect a Mayor and Council, as was the case in former years, than it would be under this bill.

Mr. FLANAGAN favored the amendment, and said as a Representative of the South he would cordially support it. The Constitution of the United States said nothing about taxpayers where suffrage was concerned. It knew only the people, without regard to color. There had been a talk of removing the Capital, and in his opinion the passage of this bill would be a fatal blow to the perpetuity of the Capital here, for millions of colored voters of the country would vote solid to remove it to any other place. He regretted that the Senator (Morton) had not included woman suffrage in his amendment, as he (Flanagan) would be glad to have woman suffrage start here.

Bills Introduced.

Mr. HOWE introduced a resolution instructing the Committee on Judiciary to inquire whether any legislation is necessary to prohibit disbursing officers of the United States from paying moneys to persons or corporations, or to the order of such corporations, who have been duly enjoined by Courts of the United States from receiving the same, and to report by bill or otherwise. Agreed to.

Mr. MITCHELL introduced a bill to legalize assignments of pay of officers and others in the Government service. Referred.

Mr. PRATT introduced a bill amending the act granting pensions to certain soldiers and sailors of the war of 1812, and widows of deceased soldiers, approved February 14, 1871. Referred.

Mr. MERRIMON obtained the floor to address the Senate on the District bill, but yielded for an executive session, after which the Senate adjourned.

HOUSE.

Bills Introduced and Referred.

By Mr. WHITELEY—To protect elections and prevent frauds in Congressional elections.

By Mr. HARRISON—For the improvement of the Cumberland river, in Tennessee.

By Mr. WOODWORTH—To prevent the removal of causes from a State to United States Courts after the appearance of the parties in State Courts, except in certain cases.

By Mr. WELLS—For the improvement of the Mississippi river between the mouths of the Missouri and Ohio rivers.

By Mr. BIGLEY—For the improvement of the Saginaw, Pine and Shebogan rivers, Michigan.

By Mr. LOUGHRIDGE—To restore the income tax.

Investigations.

Mr. BROMBERG offered a resolution for the appointment of a select committee to inquire whether any officer of the Government has used means to obstruct the administration of justice in the District of Columbia, particularly in relation to the so-called "Safe Burglary Conspiracy."

The House refused to second the previous question by 74 to 81, and the resolution went over.

Mr. RANDALL gave notice that the same resolution would be offered next Monday.

Mr. HAYS offered a resolution for a select committee to inquire into the political affairs of Alabama, and as to the use of Federal soldiers there, and the intimidation of voters, &c.

Mr. RANDALL suggested that the committee should inquire as to the distribution of the rations voted by Congress in Alabama. Adopted.

Mr. SLOSS, at the request of Mr. Young offered a resolution calling on the Secretary of War for information whether any army officer in the South has received or attempted to obtain from the Legislature of any State compensation for his service, or has while on duty as such officer, been admitted to the bar and practiced for his personal emolument.

Mr. KASSON asked Mr. Young to name the officer alluded to.

Mr. YOUNG mentioned Major Merrill, stationed in South Carolina.

The House refused to second the previous question—65 to 105—and the resolution went over.

Subsidies.

The House then proceeded to vote on suspending the rules and adopting a resolution offered last Monday by Mr. Holman, as follows:

Resolved, That in the present condition of the financial affairs of the Government, no subsidies in money, bonds, public lands, or by pledges of the public credit, should be granted by Congress to associations or corporations engaged or preparing to engage in public or private enterprises, and that all appropriations from the public Treasury ought to be limited at this time to such amounts as should be imperatively required by the public.

The House refused to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution—yeas 149, noes 75—not two-thirds in the affirmative.

The Pacific Mail Subsidy Investigation.

Mr. DAWES, chairman of the Committee on Ways and Means, made report of the refusal of Richard B. Irwin to answer certain questions put to him respecting the distribution by him of the $750,000 received from the Pacific Mail Steamship Company to aid in the procuring of an additional subsidy for the China mail service.

The stenographic report of Irwin's examination having been read, Mr. DAWES moved the adoption of an order that the Speaker issue his warrant to the Sergeant-at-Arms, commanding him to take into custody Richard B. Irwin, and bring him to the bar of the House, to show cause why he should not be punished for contempt.

Mr. DAWES went on to say: This witness readily and almost cheerfully states to the committee and to the country that for the purpose of procuring private legislation by Congress, he has taken $750,000 and brought it to the very doors of Congress, and then because he did not enter these halls, with his money bags in his hand, and walk up and down these aisles, distributing it, but put the remainder of his work in the hands of third parties, he fancies that he can put a stop to this investigation; and the question for this House to determine is, whether, having had rolled on its shoulders an inference which it is impossible otherwise to repel, the House shall let that inference remain that that subsidy was procured by the expenditure of this sum of money. There is no member whose name stands recorded for that measure, or who omitted to vote against it, who has not this charge laid at his door, and all such members call on this House to repel that inference which this witness seems voluntarily and with great alacrity to desire to lay down upon them. But if it touched the character of no member of the House, it touches the methods of legislation and means of procuring legislation at the hands of Congress, and Congress cannot omit to investigate it to the bottom and to understand its length and breadth. If this money reached corruptly no member of the House, it was, however expended to procure the passage of the bill, and whether it was by private entertainments or by any other process whatever, then Congress must know in what manner legislation is procured here, or Congress must cease to have regard not only to the personal character of its members, but to the respect of the people, for what is done in Congress. There is no aspect in which this witness presents the case that Congress can retreat from. I am myself very well convinced of the motive which has brought him from Europe to tempt the Committee of Ways and Means to bring him here, and to draw out of him just what has been drawn out of him; but I am filled with amazement that any sane man could for one moment suppose that he could testify thus much and no more.

A long and somewhat technical discussion ensued as to the power of the House to punish for contempt.

Messrs. STEPHENS and BUTLER argued that as the law provides for the punishment of a recusant witness by sending him for trial before a court and jury in the District of Columbia, the House has no other power in the matter. They denied that there was in this country any such thing as parliamentary common law, and claimed the constitutional right of every citizen to be tried before a court and jury.

On the other hand, Messrs. DAWES, KASSON and BECK claimed that besides a statutory provision giving the Court power to punish a recusant witness by fine and imprisonment, each House has the power to punish for contempt.

Mr. BECK also suggested the propriety of passing another law giving Congress itself power to commit a recusant witness to imprisonment in the county jail for twelve months.

Mr. LAWRENCE argued that the House had the same power in such matters as the English House of Commons.

While Mr. Lawrence was speaking Mr. BECK remarked that he had just been informed that Irwin was no longer in the custody of the Sergeant-at-Arms, and was preparing to leave Washington in the next train.

Mr. BECK's announcement created some excitement, but the discussion was continued. In the course of it Mr. Butler characterized Congressional investigations as mere "fund machines." He argued that the House might just as well condemn a recusant witness to torture and thumbscrew as to assume power to punish him by committing him to jail.

At last the discussion closed, and the order asked for by Mr. Dawes was made without a division of the House.

Holiday Adjournment.

Mr. DAWES then called up the resolution for an adjournment over the Christmas holidays from Wednesday, the 23d of December, to Tuesday, the 5th of January. Adopted.

Adjourned.

FOREIGN.

CHINA.

The Burned Steamer Japan.

HONG KONG, December 21.—The Captain and several more of the crew and passengers of the Pacific Mail steamship Japan have arrived here. The following yet remain to be heard from: R. M. Tindell, cabin passenger, one steerage passenger, Surgeon Gale, several of the crew, and 400 Chinese. The steamer was first discovered on fire about eleven o'clock Thursday night, the fire being over the boilers. The vessel was then 150 miles from Hong Kong. After two hours spent in fruitless efforts to get the fire under control, the Captain decided to abandon the vessel, and on Friday morning all hands were transferred to boats. They remained about the vessel until noon of that day, when all proceeded for Swatow. The mails were not saved.

SPAIN.

A German Brig Fired on by Carlists.

LONDON, December 21.—The Cologne *Gazette* has the following: "On the 19th instant, the German brig Gustav, from New York, entered the harbor of Guetaria, ten miles west of San Sebastian. On nearing the shore she was fired upon by Carlists, notwithstanding she hoisted the German flag and put out signals of distress. The next day the brig stranded off Zaraña. Her crew were saved by Republican volunteers, who took them to San Sebastian. The Carlists on shore fired on the boats during the rescue of the crew, and afterwards seized the cargo of the abandoned vessel. An envoy has been sent to the Carlist lines to negotiate for its restoration."

TURKEY.

Terrible Powder Explosion.

CONSTANTINOPLE, December 21.—During a furious storm to-day lightning struck a powder magazine in Scutari, and caused a terrible explosion. A portion of the city wall was overthrown, many houses demolished and two hundred persons killed and wounded.

WEATHER REPORT.

OFFICE OF THE OBSERVER,
UNITED STATES SIGNAL SERVICE,
PITTSBURGH, Pa., December 21, 1874.

Local Observations.

Time.	Bar.	Ther.	Humidt.	Wind.	Weather.
7 A. M.	30.18	30	89	W.	Cloudy.
2 P. M.	30.13	33	69	S.	Clear.
9 P. M.	30.02	32	79	E.	Foggy.

Mean Barometer, 30.08.
Mean Thermometer, 31.5.
Highest Thermometer, 36.
Lowest Thermometer, 29.

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Sergt., Sig. Service, U. S. A.

Daily Bulletin.

OFFICE OF OBSERVATORY,
PITTSBURGH, Dec. 21, 1874, 10:48 P. M.

The was light rain at Cairo, thermometer 37; Cincinnati, cloudy, thermometer 41; Davenport, Iowa, light snow, thermometer 33; Fort Gibson, I. T., cloudy, thermometer 40; Fort Sully, D.T., fair, thermometer 26; Indianapolis, Ind., cloudy, thermometer 36; Keokuk, Iowa, light snow, thermometer 32; La Crosse, Wis., light snow, thermometer 31; Leavenworth, Kan., clearing, thermometer 30; Louisville, cloudy, thermometer 39; Memphis, cloudy, thermometer 43; Nashville, Tenn., cloudy, thermometer 45; Omaha, Neb., cloudy, thermometer 29; Pittsburgh, Pa., foggy, thermometer 31; Shreveport, clear, thermometer 51; St. Louis, Mo., cloudy, thermometer 37; St. Paul, cloudy, thermometer 29; Vicksburg, cloudy, thermometer 53; Yankton, D. T., clear, thermometer 21; North Platte, clear, thermometer 13.

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WAR DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF SIGNAL OFFICER,
WASHINGTON, D. C., 1 A. M., Dec. 22, 1874.

Probabilities for To-day.

For New England and the Middle States, increasing cloudiness, winds shifting to easterly and southerly, rising temperature, falling barometer, followed by light rain or snow in northern New England and the western portions of Pennsylvania and New York.

LEGISLATURES.

OHIO.

COLUMBUS, O., December 21.—In the House this morning a bill was introduced requiring Probate Judges to appoint inspectors whose duty it shall be to inspect domestic liquors. The bill forbids the use of drugs in manufacturing liquors and the sale of uninspected liquors. The fees of the inspectors are to be paid by the manufacturers. Violation of the act is to be prosecuted by the Prosecuting Attorney, and the fines are to be divided between the Common School fund and the informers.

Hon. Wm. D. Kelley, of Pennsylvania, and the "Independent" Party.

ST. LOUIS, December 21.—The *Evening Dispatch* publishes the following: R. D. Goodwin, of this city, has received a letter from Mr. Buchanan, Secretary of the Executive Committee of the Indianapolis Independent party, in which he says he is confident that Wm. D. Kelley, the Pennsylvania Radical, is to come out openly for the Independent party before the winter is over, and in time to play a prominent part in the National Convention at Cleveland on the 14th of March. Goodwin is delegated to appoint two delegates to the Convention from each Congressional district of Missouri.

SECOND EDITION

FROM WASHINGTON.

Proclamation on the Vicksburg Troubles.

The Insurgents Ordered to Disperse Within Five Days.

Harmony Restored in the Republican Party.

A Proposition to Make Appropriations for Two Years.

Special to the Pittsburgh Gazette.

WASHINGTON, December 21, 1874.

The New Finance Bill.

The finance bill foreshadowed in these dispatches on the 16th inst. was reported from the Senate Finance Committee to-day. It is the joint production of the financial advisers of the administration, the National Board of Trade and the Senate Finance Committee, intended as a compromise measure. It may pass the Senate, be amended in the House, and go to a conference committee to be finished.

Pacific Mail Investigation.

The chief business in the House to-day related to Pacific Mail lobbyist Irwin, and an effort to make him say what he did with the money stolen from the Pacific Mail stockholders. Irwin says he distributed it among the "stool-pigeons" of the lobby, but refuses to give names. Excitement was created in the House by a rumor that Irwin had escaped. It, however, proved unfounded.

Harmony in the Republican Party.

At numerous caucuses recently held by the Republican Senators and Representatives, nearly all divisions of inside party lines have been removed, so that the Republican party now presents an undivided front.

Preparing for Contingencies.

A proposition to make appropriations in advance this session for all executive departments during the next two years, to provide against a contingency of the refusal of the next House to act, has been favorably entertained, and demonstrated to be both legal and advisable.

DIAMOND.

WASHINGTON, December 21, 1874.

Proclamation by the President.

By the President of the United States of America.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS, It is provided in the Constitution of the United States that the United States shall protect every State in the Union, on application of the Legislature, or of the Executive when the Legislature cannot be convened, against domestic violence and,

WHEREAS, It is provided by the laws of the United States that in all cases of insurrection in any State, or obstruction to the laws thereof, it shall be lawful for the President of the United States, on application of the Legislature of such State, or of the Executive when the Legislature cannot be convened, to call forth the militia of any other State or States, or to employ such parts of the land and naval forces as shall be judged necessary for the purpose of suppressing such insurrection, or of causing the laws to be duly executed; and,

WHEREAS, The Legislature of the State of Mississippi, now in session, have represented to me, in a concurrent resolution of that body, that several of the legally elected officers of Warren county, in said State, were prevented from executing the duties of their respective offices by force and violence; that the public buildings and records of said county have been taken possession of and are now held by lawless and unauthorized persons; that many peaceable citizens of said county have been killed, and others been compelled to abandon and remain away from their homes and families; that illegal and riotous seizures and imprisonments have been made by such lawless persons; and, further, that a large number of men from adjacent States have invaded Mississippi to aid such lawless persons, and are still ready to give them such aid; and,

WHEREAS, It is further represented, as aforesaid, by said Legislature, that the Courts of said county are unable to, and the Governor of said State has no sufficient force at his command to execute the laws thereof in said county and suppress said violence without causing a conflict of races, thereby endangering life and property to an alarming extent; and,

WHEREAS, Said Legislature, as aforesaid, have made application to me for such part of the military force of the United States as may be necessary and adequate to protect said State and citizens thereof against domestic violence herein before mentioned, and to enforce due execution of the laws; and,

WHEREAS, The laws of the United States require that whenever it may be necessary in the judgment of the President to use military force for the purposes aforesaid, he shall forthwith, by proclamation, command such insurgents to disperse and retire peaceably to their respective abodes within a limited time.

Now, therefore, I, Ulysses S. Grant, President of the United States, do hereby command said disorderly and turbulent persons to disperse and retire peaceably to their respective abodes within five days from the date hereof, and that they refrain from forcible resistance to the laws and submit themselves peaceably to the lawful authorities of said county and State.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

Done at the City of Washington, this twenty-first day of December, in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and seventy-four, and of the Independence of the United States the ninety-ninth.

U. S. GRANT.

By the President:
HAMILTON FISH, Secretary of State.

Republican Senatorial Caucus on Southern Affairs.

The Republican Senators held a caucus this afternoon, at the solicitation of Southern Republican Senators and Representatives at which the condition of affairs in the South was considered. Senators from the South advocated the sending of troops to several States of that section. They feared that the Republican party was hopelessly dead unless decisive action was taken during the present session to put down turbulent whites. They confessed their inability to poll the white votes.

The Northern Senators did not endorse the proposition, and some of them openly expressed themselves against further interference with the affairs of the South, saying they had lost many votes in the North by it.

Senator Lewis, of Virginia, declared that the Republican party had lost power in the South because of the bad character of many of its would-be leaders and the part they took in the Civil Rights bill, which he considered a most iniquitous measure. The South could only be carried for the Republican party as at present organized by sending soldiers enough there to prevent the people from voting.

The majority evidently agreed with these remarks, as before a vote was taken many Senators left the room, and Senator Morton, who was relied upon by the extreme Republicans, did not come to their relief.

ADDITIONAL RIVER NEWS.

(Special Dispatch to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

OIL CITY, December 21, 1874.

River 25 inches and falling. Weather clear and cold.

CINCINNATI, December 21.—River 10 feet 11 inches; rising fast. Weather cloudy. Arrived—Sunshine, from New Orleans; Juniata, Pittsburgh; Hudson, Wheeling.

EVANSVILLE, December 21.—Weather cloudy; mercury 23 to 28. River rising slowly; 7 8-10 feet on gauge. Departed—Cloud, J. H. Done, Turner, I. N. U. George Roberts, S. Mattie Roberts and barges, 9; Morning Star, 10; Nashville, noon; Sandy, 4:30; Bowling Green, 11; Ben Johnson, noon; Shannon, 1 P. M.; Fannie Tatum, 4; Red Cloud and Idlewild, 5. Business active. All the boats had a good trip. The Liberty No. 4 is repairing her boilers here. The Little Condor lost a barge of salton French Island dam. The Eckert is loading with coal for Memphis. A barge, Captain Dugan says it is a hopeless case.

CAIRO, December 21.—Arrived—Indiana, Cincinnati, 1 P. M.; Carrie V. Swindt, New Orleans, 4; Tom Jasper and City of Quincy, St. Louis, 6; James Kinney, St. Louis, 9.—Departed—Alice, Cincinnati, 1 P. M.; Dove and Andy Replogle, Ben Rush, Memphis; Eddyville, Nashville, 3. River 6 feet 11 inches and rising. Light rain. Weather warm.

MEMPHIS, December 21.—The river fell one inch. Weather cloudy and cool. Arrived—Vint Shinkle, Cincinnati; Dispatch, Cincinnati; Ohio Belle, Cincinnati; Garret, New Orleans; W. J. and Fannie Lewis, Utah and Julia, St. Louis; Ashland, Arkansas River.

NEW ORLEANS, December 21.—Arrived—Towboat Governor Allen, Charles Morgan and Charles Bodmann, Ohio River; Paragon and John F. Tolle, St. Louis.—Departed—Katie and Clyde City. Cloudy and cool.

LITTLE ROCK, December 21.—Weather cloudy. Arrived—Fort Gibson, Memphis. River rising slowly.

NASHVILLE, December 21.—River rising rapidly. 11 feet 8 inches on shoals. Weather clear and cool.

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WANTED—TO CLOSE OUT OUR stock of second hand Safes before the 1st. Good bargains are offered. HALL'S SAFE AND LOCK CO. dec22

WANTED — DREW — INFORMATION wanted of the whereabouts of the sister of NAT. F. DREW, deceased, formerly a steamboat pilot, who resided in Nashville after leaving the river. The father of the deceased removed from Pennsylvania about fifty years ago, taking his son along, but leaving his wife and daughter, of whom information is desired. Address Lock Box 343, or GAZZAM & COCHRAN, Attorneys, 94 Diamond street, Pittsburgh.

WANTED—PURCHASERS FOR FIRST CLASS GUARANTEED TEN PER CENT. School and Municipal Bonds. INVESTORS desiring full information concerning these and other securities, are invited to call on LUTHER S. KAUFMANN, Stock and Bond Broker, 96 Fourth avenue, Pittsburgh, Pa. Letters of inquiry from parties residing out of the city, will be cheerfully and promptly answered.

TO-LET.

TO-LET.—A TWO STORY BRICK Dwelling House in a central location, No. 172 Second avenue, Pittsburgh. Possession given immediately. For terms call or address A. D. SMITH, at Iron City National Bank, or at his residence, No. 17 Park street, Allegheny City.

FOR SALE.

FOR SALE—ASSORTED SIZES OF second hand Safes, will be sold cheap to close out stock before the 1st. HALL'S SAFE AND LOCK CO. dec22

FOR SALE—SECOND-HAND ENGINES from 5 to 80 horse power, 30 Double Flued Boilers, one pair 20 feet by 38 inches, nearly new. JAMES HILL & CO., Cor. Marion avenue and P. Ft. W. & C. R. R., Allegheny City.

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FOR SALE—FORTY SUPERIOR SECOND-HAND BOILERS, in good order, ranging from 30 inches to 44 inches in diameter, and 10 feet to 40 feet long; double-flued and cylinder. County Inspector's certificate of test with each boiler. Repairing promptly done at the West Point Boiler Works, 13 Water street. WATSON & MUNROE. decis

ROBINSON BROTHERS BANKERS, NO. 78 FOURTH AVENUE. Offer sale the following first-class Securities: 25,000 8 PER CENT. WARD SCHOOL BONDS. 50,000 7 PER CENT. PITTSBURGH STREET BONDS. 50 SHARES CITIZENS NAT. BANK. 6,000 PITTSBURGH, FT. WAYNE & CHICAGO FIRST MORTGAGE BONDS. Wanted—50 SHARES EXCHANGE NAT. BANK. Will buy—2,000 PITTSBURGH 6's. 5,000 PITTSBURGH WATER LOAN 7's. Parties desiring to buy or sell good securities are invited to call on us.

EGGS—8 BARRELS, JUST RECEIVED and for sale by R. DICKEY & CO., 80 Water street.

BROOM CORN—5 CARS NEW, JUST received. For sale by ROBT. DICKEY & CO., 80 Water street.

NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, December 21, 1874.

Proceedings Against a Bankrupt.

The creditors of H. N. Morgan & Co., the suspended produce dealers, have began bankruptcy proceedings against Morgan. It is alleged that Morgan's capital having been depleted, he had purchased from various dealers, and when these began to apply for their money they were informed that he had failed, and late last week had made an assignment of his property to a relative.

Civil Suit Against Tweed.

A new civil suit has been commenced against Wm. M. Tweed, in which Edward Marrener is joined as defendant, on behalf of the city, to recover from both $550,000 alleged to have been fraudulently charged by Marrener for supplies to the street department, and fraudulently certified to by Tweed, as Deputy Street Commissioner, for payment. There are thirty-one bills of Marrener's alleged in the complaint to be in this category.

MORTUARY REPORT.

Last Week's Death List in Pittsburgh and Allegheny.

Dr. Snively, Physician to the Board of Health, reports fifty-five deaths in the city during the week ending Saturday last, as follows:

CAUSES OF DEATH:—Alcoholism, 1; fall, 1; asthma, 2; asphyxia, 1, congestion of the brain, 1; bronchitis, 1; cirrhosis of liver, 1; consumption, 7; convulsions, 3; croup, 1; cystitis, chronic, 1; debility, 1; dysentery 1; erysipelas, 1; typhoid fever, 8; scarlet fever, 6; gastro enteritis, 1; valvular disease, 1; hernia, inguinal, 1; liver, congestion of, 1; lungs, congestion of, 3; meningitis, chronic, 1; old age, 2; abdominal tumor, 1; paralysis, general, 1; pneumonitis, 2; stomatitis, 1; unknown, 2; whooping cough, 1.—Total, 55.

COLOR.—White, 53; colored, 2.—Total, 55.

SOCIAL RELATIONS:—Married, 16; single, 36; widows, 2; widowers, 1.—Total, 55.

AGE:—Under 1 year, 11; from 1 to 2 years, 4; from 2 to 5, 8; 5 to 10, 4; 10 to 15, 2; 15 to 20, 2; 20 to 30, 9; 30 to 40, 5; 40 to 50, 1; 50 to 60, 3; 60 to 70, 6; 70 to 80, 1; 80 to 90, 1.—Total, 55.

ALLEGHENY.

Health Officer Hoch reports the following number of deaths as having occurred in Allegheny last week: Typhoid fever, 8; scarlet fever, 4; convulsions, 1; dyptheria, 1; consumption, 4; old age, 1; spasms, 1; peritonitis, 1; inanition, 1; Distroniplalas, 1; scarletina, 1; asphycia, 1. There were 12 males and 13 females, total 24, all white, and 11 children 5 years of age.

SPECIAL ELECTION.

Choosing a Congressman.

The special election for a Congressman, to take the place of Mr. McJunkin, will be held to-day, in Allegheny city and Butler and Armstrong counties. The indications are that the regular Republican candidate, Col. John M. Thompson—than whom there never has been a better candidate in the district—will not only secure a majority, but that it will be proportionate to the vote, very large, in Allegheny City. He will sweep Butler and Armstrong counties. Some interest has been awakened in the election within the past few days, and a larger vote than was at first expected will likely be polled.

Electing a Councilman.

The voters of the Fourth ward, Allegheny, will also be called upon to choose a Councilman to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Mr. Hugh McNeill. There has been no formal Republican nomination, but Mr. Peter Walter comes out on that ticket. Mr. Walters is a Republican, and has been a member of Common Council for several years. He is one of the most influential and progressive business men in the ward, and has proven himself to be an active and efficient Councilman. The voters of the Fourth ward will secure a faithful and worthy representative by casting their votes for him.

Utilidici.

In this age of house-breaking, when thieves are so strong in numbers and bold in their operations, every family should be on their guard, and all can be protected from the attacks of burglars by the purchase of an elegant safe, costing house safe for a Christmas present, and in these times nothing would be more appropriate, for all the family members would share in the benefit of its use.

They are made in a variety of patterns, such as washstand, bureau, sideboard, &c., and while very useful, are highly ornamental, and can be found at No. 93 Smithfield street.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

THE PIONEER
LAMP, OIL AND GLASSWARE HOUSE.
R. P. WALLACE & CO.,
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Manufacturers and Jobbers in Oils, Lamps, Chandeliers; also, Window Glass, Prescription Vials and Table Glassware. The attention of cash and short time buyers is invited to our large and well assorted stock, which we are prepared to offer the lowest prices yet reached.

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New Styles Men's Fancy Dress Shirts.
Windsor Scarfs and Neckwear of every description at greatly reduced prices.
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WHITE AND COLORED
SILK HANDKERCHIEFS
Plain Hemmed and Hemstitched Handkerchiefs, Initial Handkerchiefs, Fine Fancy Half Hose, Fine Suspenders.
FINE SILK UMBRELLAS,
With handles of entirely New Design.
Linen Paper Collars and Cuffs.
Fancy Striped and Plain Cashmere Half-Hose.
GLOVES.
Ladies' Cloth Gloves and Gauntlets.
Ladies' Kid Gauntlets.
Plush Lined Silk Gloves.
Children's Cloth Gloves.
Knit Mittens and Infantines.
Men's Drap Castor Gloves at $1.25 per pair.
Men's Cloth Gloves.
Men's Plush Lined Silk Gloves.
Men's Lined Kid Gloves, 1 and 2

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TUESDAY, DECEMBER 22, 1874.

BONDS at Frankfort 98.

PETROLEUM at Antwerp 27¼f.

GOLD closed in New York yesterday at 111½@111¾.

THE President has issued a proclamation against the disturbers of the peace in Mississippi.

THE passengers on the steamship "Japan," which was burned near Swatow, were nearly all saved,—the probability being that a considerable number of Chinese were lost.

IRWIN has so far relented as to state that he paid the full amount of the $750,000, put in his care by the Pacific Mail Company, to parties other than Congressmen, for services personally rendered.

THERE is a sameness of style about the published correspondence of Beecher and Miss Proctor, that gives their letters the appearance of an arrangement to justify him before the public. These matters do not look remarkably well.

THE Meister, or Mowry case will be carried by appeal to the Supreme Court. It is but proper to state, as a corrective of some rumors current, that the plaintiffs have acted with entire propriety, in all financial matters, and have settled all bills contracted.

TWEED'S sorrows do not seem likely to end very soon. One civil suit after another,—and each of them of no small magnitude,—is brought up to compel him to disgorge his ill-gotten property. Once out of prison, if that good fortune should come to him, and he will find plenty of employment defending his title to his possessions.

THE fact that both Bismarck and Von Arnim have appealed to the Kammergericht, as against the decision of the Court, where the trial was held, proves how unsatisfactory to both the result was. The one desired to escape without penalty, and the other wishes a severer verdict. It is possible that the appeal will work unfortunately for Von Arnim.

THE prophetic journal, that hangs on the fringes of the Republican party, in this vicinity, only to abuse the best men we have, in Councils and out, is, of course, unhappy that Colonel Thompson is likely to be elected. So virtuous is it, that all others among humanity pale in the comparison. We are not surprised that it should use its demented influence against him, as he is a man that cannot be blackmailed.

THE few Congressmen whose business in the sale of naval cadetships has been interfered with a trifle, are apparently anxious to justify themselves, but appeal to their re-election as the only justification needed. There is an error in this. None of the persons elected were favored because they sold cadetships; on the contrary, we judge their success was the result of a careful silence on that particular subject. We hope the subject will be probed a little deeper than this by the committees.

IN the multiplicity of plans for specie resumption, that adopted by the Senate Committee fixes the date of resumption at 1879, making, in the meantime, banking free, and retiring eighty per cent. of legal tenders to the full issue of national bank notes, until the legal tender issue is reduced to $300,000,000. Fractional currency is to be supplanted with silver, and thus we are gradually to approach specie resumption. If this kind of maneuvering serves to interest the financiers well; with a good protective tariff we can readily reach specie payments by the time named, and thus all is well.

THE new bill on the subject of education in this State, being considered by a committee in this city, is open to several serious objections. Not to consider the centralization of power involved, compulsory education, and the like, we invite the committee to figure up just how much the splendid system proposed will cost before any of $1,000,000 of State money reaches the children. In this, take into account officers' salaries, cost of the Normal system, institutes, and the like. We will give this subject close attention, and probably ventilate our views to-morrow. As we see it now, it will make the Superintendent of Public Instruction an officer with larger powers and more money under his control than any other officer in the Commonwealth.

THE call in favor of Congress acting in behalf of aid to the great trans-continental railroads, of which about one thousand miles have already been built, has been signed by about twelve hundred names, representing the staunchest business firms in the city. The movement proceeds from the standpoint of our own business prosperity. The iron and material for these roads will come, to the extent of about one-third, from this State, and the building of the lines referred to will start activity in every possible direction. The united call of our best business men and largest manufacturers, will be heeded, we are very certain. The *Leader*, which has opposed subsidy projects, favors this because it is not a subsidy, and is to be done, not in the interest of fanciful lines of railroad, but of the business of the entire country. We have but one journal in the city that indicates a purpose to oppose it,—but it opposes all that is good.

THE moderate Democratic press,—the St. Louis *Republican*, for example,—admit the substantial truth of the later revelations as to the Vicksburg horror. The facts, as condensed from the detailed accounts in the journal under mention, are these: First, that the recent troubles in Vicksburg grew out of the desire of some Democratic politicians to obtain control of the local offices. Second, that the Bourbons went into the election campaign with a thoroughly armed organization to carry the municipal election, and succeeded by overawing the colored men. Third, after having carried the city, they determined to oust the county officials whose terms had not expired. Fourth, they compelled every white man who had his name upon the colored Sheriff's bond to withdraw it, and thereby vitiated it. Fifth, when new bondsmen were obtained, they tampered with the Grand Jury and the Board of Supervisors, and prevented its approval. Sixth, they then forced the Sheriff to leave and sign his resignation upon peril of his life. As soon as the opportunity was offered, he recalled his resignation, and called upon the citizens to aid him in holding his office. Out of this grew the hunt after the negroes, which resulted in the deaths of so many of that class, and of so few of the whites. This is the kind of peace and good will, political fairness and regard for the colored man that the old rebel element of the South promises.

VOTE TO-DAY.

While we are perfectly satisfied that Colonel John M. Thompson will be elected, we urge every Republican to attend the polls and cast his vote. Assurance will thus be made doubly sure, and if the majority is large, the triumph will be all the greater. All we have said of Colonel Thompson's character and merits, we repeat and emphasize. His adaptation to the particular position for which he is nominated, is complete, and his career, if elected, will fully justify the estimate we put upon him. Were he as well known, personally, in the Allegheny part of the District, as he is in Butler, he would receive the unanimous vote of the party. Many would deem it a privilege to put forth an unusual effort in his behalf, if they knew the qualities of the man. We therefore urge our friends to accept our unreserved testimony, and use the same effort in his behalf that they would, did they personally know him. If this is done, we are confident the issue will be such, both as regards his election and his service in Congress, as will cause gratification to all who did their duty. We will be disappointed, if Colonel Thompson's career in Congress is not unusually successful and brilliant.

The duty to the party involved in this election is important. Mr. McJunkin, whose place is to be filled, is a Republican, and he should be followed by a person of the same party faith. When, to supply his place, a man of excellent qualities, and undoubted party fealty is put in nomination, there should be, for the sake of the party, its organization, doctrine and principles, an effort of unusual strength. As there is but a single office to be filled, and the case is perfectly clear, there is no need of doubt or hesitancy. Our duty is,—first to vote. No citizen ought ever to neglect or evade this duty. The danger to our system of government lies in this very direction. The people of this country, except in cases where they are specially interested by some unusual or exceptional event, are careless of their duties as regards the use of the ballot, and the fear is that this is the root source of the danger that our institutions may yet perish. We insist that whenever an election occurs, it is the duty of every citizen to vote. We urge, therefore, the duty of citizenship, of loyalty to party, and the propriety of being specially interested to vote for an honest, capable man,—as reasons why a full vote should be cast for Colonel Thompson to-day.

THE INDIAN TRIAL.

The sudden termination of the Mowry suit, on Monday, in the United States District Court, will serve to quiet the enthusiasm of such as seek to unsettle titles without having a case of absolute clearness and certainty. Judge McKennan decided that a proof of the marriage, under the laws of Michigan, would be necessary to a verdict for the plaintiffs. This precluded all necessity for the arguments of counsel, and thus the case suddenly flattened out. The jury returned a verdict for the defense without leaving their seats. Talk is had of an appeal, but we judge it will amount to nothing.

This suit, it will be remembered, was to obtain possession of a large and valuable tract of property belonging to the estate of William Mowry,—the suit being nominally in the interest of an alleged daughter of Mowry, by an Indian woman, but really for the benefit of one Meister, who bought or arranged for the property, with the girl. It was really a speculation, which, had it proven successful, would have enriched the entire party,—Meister probably expecting the lion's share. The point was to prove the mother of the child the wife of Mowry, thus entitling the two to his estate. The evidence submitted showed that Mowry treated with Perot, the father of the woman he is reported to have married, for her, and that he made presents, took the girl, lived with her, more or less, and eventually left her and came to Pittsburgh, where he lived for three years, and then died. There is nothing to show, even in the evidence of the plaintiffs, that there was any marriage ceremony, obligations, or promises. Nor does the defense show that the Indian woman ever sought, after Mowry had returned to Pittsburgh, to come on and claim him as her husband. On the contrary, she quietly waited till she heard he was dead, and then married again.

The effort was made by the prosecution to show that in Michigan, marriage by Indian custom was recognized as legal, and that the custom among the Chippewas was for the groom to purchase the wife, and simply cohabit with her. But the defense introduced two lines of testimony that utterly broke this theory. The first was that the whites were in the habit of purchasing and living with Indian girls for a time, and then abandoning them,—the custom being to purchase and cohabit in this, as well as in other cases, where regular marriage was claimed; also that accepting and casting off wives and even polygamy were practiced among the Indians mentioned. The other point made was that such operations were not considered, even among the Indians, and especially among the missionaries, as lawful marriages. Add to this, that the testimony of a missionary was introduced to the effect that he sought to induce Mowry to legally marry the Indian girl he lived with, and that he refused, and we have the outline of the case. Of course, if the laws of Michigan, at the time of the occurrence mentioned, recognized these cohabitations as constituting legal marriage, the case was clear; but Judge McKennan decided this point unfavorable for the plaintiffs.

We do not doubt that the case has been justly determined. Vast amounts of improved property should not be disturbed, as to ownership, unless under the clearest evidence, and for the most conclusive reasons. Whatever injury Mowry did the woman, if any, referred to the past, and in nowise involved the child. It does not seem at all clear, indeed, that the claimants felt themselves injured or deprived of rights at all. They testified that they were employed by Meister in the venture to obtain the property, a fact that removes the case from the pale of sympathy. Being, thus, one of evidence and law,—the equities being all on the side of the defence, we submit that the verdict reached was the only one possible. So let it stand.

ITEMS OF INTEREST.

LOUIS JORGENSEN, Generalissimo of the Knights Templar of the State of Illinois, died in Cairo on Monday.

THREE children, named Vreeland, were drowned in the Morris canal, near Paterson, N. J., on Saturday, by breaking through the ice.

A PHILADELPHIA family, born within sight of George's Hill, consists of seven living brothers and sisters, whose average age is eighty-one years.

IF poor little Charley Ross could only be found and returned to his parents before next Friday, what a joyful Christmas it would make for thousands of children throughout the land!

Two hundred and forty-three persons perished on the lakes this year, against two hundred and twenty-one in 1873, and two hundred and nineteen in 1872. The estimated damage to property foots up $8,031,600, against $3,976,000 in 1873.

A GIRL, twelve years old, living at Plainville, Conn., was recently poisoned by eating some candy containing arsenic, and died in great agony. A number of other children partook of the same candy, and all suffered to a greater or less degree.

A COLLISION occurred on Sunday morning, three miles north of Grenada, Miss., on the M. R. Central Railroad, between freight trains Nos. 8 and 9. James Valentine, an engineer, was instantly killed. Both engines and a number of cars were demolished.

AT a funeral in Springvale, N. Y., lately while the bearers were about to lower the coffin into the grave, the earth caved under the feet of one of them, who fell in with the coffin over him. After considerable hard work he was liberated, more demoralized than hurts.

A SUIT was entered in the courts of Lexington, Ky., on Saturday, for the recovery of 26,000 shares of the stock of the Big Sandy Railroad, valued at $260,000, by the city of Lexington and the counties of Fayette, Clark and Montgomery, Ky., on account of alleged fraud in obtaining subscriptions.

THE *expose* of the Katie King spiritual humbug, which created such enthusiasm and excitement, has demonstrated the fact that many of the most learned and distinguished among the advocates and believers of spiritualism are as liable to be deceived as the most ignorant, and that it is difficult to distinguish the genuine from the spurious article.

VIEWERS' REPORTS.

To the Select and Common Councils of the City of Pittsburgh.

The undersigned Viewers of Street Improvements in the City of Pittsburgh, appointed by the Court of Quarter Sessions of Allegheny county, authorized by ordinance, passed on the 14th day of July, A. D. 1873, a copy of which is hereto attached, to make an assessment of the cost and expense of constructing a Public Sewer on Forbes street, in said city, upon the property benefited thereby, under the provisions and in accordance with an Act of Assembly entitled "An Act concerning streets and sewers in the City of Pittsburgh," approved January 6th, 1864, and the several supplements thereto respectfully report:

That having been first duly sworn and qualified according to law, they proceeded in the manner and according to the directions of said Act, to discharge the duties of their appointments; that having viewed the premises, they made an assessment of said cost and expense upon the property benefited, and caused a plot and statement to be made, as required by said Act; and having given the owner of each lot ten days notice of the time and place of meeting, they met on the 5th day of December, A. D. 1874, at the office of Board of Viewers in the city of Pittsburgh, heard all the complaints and evidence offered and having made all modifications and corrections which they deem proper, assessed the cost and expense of constructing said sewer upon the following property, upon each for the amount set opposite the name of the owner thereof, viz.:

VIEWERS' REPORT—On Forbes Street Sewer, from Van Braam street to Magee street.

Whole cost of sewer	$18,733 07
Printing ordinance and notices	15 00
Printing Viewers' report	29 40
Serving notices	12 00
Viewers' time	135 00
	$18,924 47

BENEFITS.

Forbes Street—North Side.			
C. Gillis	20	$5.10	$102 00
R. Keife	20	do	102 00
J. Nunen	20	do	102 00
C. Dale	20	do	102 00
C. Hooveler	60	do	306 00
A. Goebel	20	do	102 00
C. Seitze's heirs	212	do	1,081 20
S. McKeig's heirs	212.4	do	1,082 90
C. & J. Miller	165.8	do	528 70
G. Haller	60	do	306 00
F. D. Geist	40	do	204 00
James McGinnis	80	do	408 00
Henry Meyer	103.8	do	528 70
C. Kohne	51.7	do	263 07
J. Wandless	51.7	do	263 07
G. & J. Beuman	16	do	81 60
Maria Bierman	29.6	do	150 45
A. Hartzel	24	do	122 40
			$ 5,836 09
N. Puchta	24	5.10	122 40
J. Zellhoffer	24	do	122 40
C. Engelbraht	24	do	122 40
G. Harrison	30	do	153 00
Forbes street—South Side.			
A. Almond	20	5.10	102 00
Forbes School District	140	do	714 00
do do do	21.6	do	109 65
Stoer & Magel	21.6	do	109 65
A. Fralich	21.6	do	109 65
W. C. Dodds	21.6	do	109 65
E. Friend	43	do	219 30
L. Friend	100	do	510 00
Pier, Dannels & Co.	100	do	510 00
Pier & Dannels	30	do	153 00
Henry E. White	40	do	204 00
A. Keebler	20.4	do	103 70
P. Millich & Co	40	do	204 00
Wm. Kane	52	do	265 20
C. H. Anderson	27	do	137 70
C. Seidle	16	do	81 60
C. Miller	16	do	81 60
P. Dietrich	16	do	81 60
Catharine Durst	18	do	91 80
L. Schaffer	18	do	91 80
B. Weise	34	do	173 40
H. Langkamp	52	do	265 20
James T. McElroy	61	do	311 10
J. Krecher	41.2	do	209 95
I. Dressel	17.6	do	89 25
J. A. Krecher	76.6	do	390 15
J. Summer's heirs	24	do	122 40
Robert Barnett	24	do	122 40
A. Moore	15	do	76 50
A. Moon	15	do	76 50
			$ 6,346 95
Beech alley.			
Wm. Werling	24	50c	12 00
E. Welker	24	do	12 00
Patterson's heirs	34	do	17 00
J. Frudenberg	20	do	10 00
J. Kleast	20	do	10 00
A. Burkmeyer	20	do	10 00
A. Conlon	25	do	12 50
J. Conlon's heirs	28	do	14 00
Dithridge's heirs	53	do	26 50
J. Benfang	23	do	12 00
G. Burgher	24	do	12 00
J. B. Eithe	24	do	12 00
C. Logue	28	do	14 00
Ann S. Lang	28	do	14 00
Second M. P. Church	75	do	37 50
Mary Kercher	20	do	10 00
J. A. Krecher	41	do	20 50
I. Dressel	20	do	10 00
Mary Krecher	19	do	9 50
J. A. Krecher	17	do	8 50
Mary Krecher	96	do	48 00
A. Moore	54	do	27 00
G. Moore's heirs	45	do	22 50
Mrs. Finagan and Sister	6	do	3 00
J. Meenan	10	do	5 00
J. Hughes	18	do	9 00
J. McTighe	24	do	12 00
Mary Conway	24	do	12 00
—— Hacket	24	do	12 00
J. M. Hoch	24	do	12 00
John J. Mitchell	23	do	11 50
City of Pittsburgh	23	do	11 50
C. Frevogle's heirs	72	do	36 00
City of Pittsburgh	247	do	123 50
Wm. Brown's heirs	39	do	19 50
Beech alley.			
J. C. Brown	60	50c	30 00
F. Fisher	20	do	10 00
J. Crowley	20	do	10 00
A. Uhlman	20	do	10 00
J. McMenller	60	do	30 00
Mary Kelly	20	do	10 00
Mrs. Leight	24	do	12 00
Forbes street.			
F. W. Reimer	29	do	14 50
Van Braam to Gist street.			
H. Knast	24	do	12 00
J. Winderlich	24	do	12 00
J. Urban	48	do	24 00
Doratha Wells	24	do	12 00
G. Schiller	24	do	12 00
J. Urban	24	do	12 00
N. Schwartz	24	do	12 00
Reineman	20	do	10 00
Lyon, Shorb & Co	159	do	79 50
J. A. Smith	20	do	10 00
Sarah Knowlson	60	do	30 00
C. P. Held	20	do	10 00
C. Burger	20	do	10 00
John McClean	20	do	10 00
John W. Brotz	20	do	10 00
J. Knowlson	40	do	20 00
J. Fisher	45	do	22 50
North Side.			
Lyon, Shorb & Co	213	50c	106 50
James McGinnis	80	do	40 00
City of Pittsburgh	216	do	108 00
M. McSwiggen's h'rs	44	do	22 00
			$ 711 00
P. Fadigan	20	do	10 00
J. Carley	20	do	10 00
Mary Kelly	20	do	10 00
P. Donnelly	20	do	10 00
Ex. Glass Co	139	do	69 50
Steven street, Bluff to Foster.			
D. Hutchison	287	do	143 50
Allegheny Savings Bank	50	do	25 00
E. Donnelly	25	do	12 50
M. McCullough, Jr.	107	do	53 50
S. Thorn	26	do	13 00
Mary Duff	95	do	47 50
Margaret Nelson	21	do	10 50
Maria Forsyth	21	do	10 50
G. W. Backoven	21	do	10 50
Kern's Burying Ground	116	do	83 00
Catholic Hospital	250	do	125 00
J. Hutchison	63	do	31 50
R. Roberts	20	do	10 00
C. Hooveler	23	do	11 50
D. Hutchison	160	do	80 00
			$ 777 00
Pride Street, Bluff to Beech Alley.			
Mercy Hospital	110	do	55 00
J. C. Corner	24	do	12 00
Catharine Trunkle	24	do	12 00
Jacob King	24	do	12 00
H. Reifnach	24	do	12 00
Mary Moreland	24	do	12 00
John Backoven	24	do	12 00
B. McGinnis	48	do	24 00
Hugh McMasters	24	do	12 00
D. L. Evans	24	do	12 00
E. Bertling	24	do	12 00
W. J. McMaster	40	do	20 00
H. Walker	16	do	8 00
James McCance	16	do	8 00
B. McGinnis	24	do	12 00
Mrs. Bell	24	do	12 00
Henrietta Rudolph	24	do	12 00
Wm. Miller	24	do	12 00
K. Notsick	24	do	12 00
J. Bleicher	72	do	36 00
J. Countz	24	$1	24 00
Pier & Dannels	24	75c	18 00
J. Patterson's heirs	49	50c	24 50
John M. Kennedy	57	do	28 50
Marg't McCandless	24	do	12 00
T. O'Brien	72	do	36 00
D. O'Leary	36	do	18 00
Martha Bruce's heirs	9	do	4 50
Mary Ann Rowley	51	do	25 50
Jane McLaughlin	24	do	12 00
D. James	24	do	12 00
A. McCandless	24	do	12 00
A. Vollmer	24	do	12 00
			$558 00
A. Vollmer	24	do	12 00
Richard, Hartley & Co	144		72 00
J. McGinnis	42		21 00
Martha McCracken	16	$1	16 00
E. F. McElroy	16	75c	12 00
Second German E. Church	72	50c	36 00
Marion from Bluff to Beech alley.			
D. Bidwell	34	50c	17 00
C. Haney	13	do	6 50
John McClean	16	do	8 00
Isabella McClean	16	do	8 00
T. O'Brien	72	do	36 00
Boobyer	24	do	12 00
S. Leopold	24	do	12 00
Jacob Keller	24	do	12 00
Charlott Bloom	24	do	12 00
H. White, Jr.	24	do	12 00
G. Hamilton	24	do	12 00
Martha Hope	24	do	12 00
N. Swartz	24	do	12 00
L. Rickets	24	do	12 00
Richards, Hartly & Co	144	do	72 00
J. McGinnis	48	do	24 00
J. McVay	24	do	12 00
J. McGinnis	23	$1	23 00
G. Torge	24	75c	18 00
N. Torge	24	50c	12 00
J. McGinnis	30	do	15 00
Robert Morris' heirs	24	do	12 00
German Methodist Church	24	do	12 00
Mrs. W. Maxwell	24	do	12 00
Henry E. White	24	do	12 00
J. Keller	24	do	12 00
J. Parks	26	50c	13 00
Mary E. McClelland	45	do	22 50
Thomas Neely	72	do	36 00
D. Kinzer	48	do	24 00
J. Ludwick	24	do	12 00
J. G. Backoven	19	do	9 50
Mrs. S. Winterhalter	19	do	9 50
C. Kohne	55	do	27 50
M. Long	20	$1	20 00
P. Wolf	20	75c	15 00
B. Bartberger	20	50	10 00
W. Lewis	21	do	10 50
W. Richardson	14	do	7 00
Van Braam, Bluff to Buck alley.			
W. Beggs	15	50c	7 50
Andrew O'Donnel	15	do	7 50
M. Lamb	15	do	7 50
J. Guntz	30	do	15 00
E. Hoffman	15	do	7 50
Car Selzner	30	do	15 00
C. Brasey's heirs	15	do	7 50
U. P. church	80	do	40 00
A. Tindle	40	do	20 00
Miller Brothers	46	do	23 00
A. Moore	22	do	11 00
Mrs. Catharine Preston	53	do	26 50
J. G. Yackel	20	do	10 00
J. J. Zelhoffer	20	do	10 00
G. Rouger	20	do	10 00
M. George	20	do	10 00
F. Smith	20	do	10 00
H. Hamberger	20	do	10 00
J. G. Pollock	120	do	60 00
Miltenberger street, Bluff to Beech alley.			
H. Freese	48	do	24 00
H. H. Freese	15	do	7 50
Catharine Grunkle	45	do	22 50
H. Schultze	30	do	15 00
C. Ludolph	18	do	9 00
J. Bunfang	18	do	9 00
H. Mohr	18	do	9 00
V. Stiglitz	18	do	9 00
John Holmes	18	do	9 00
N. Swartz	72	do	36 00
J. Reimer	15	do	7 50
Jacob & Aiken	49	do	24 50
N. P. Sawyer	36	do	18 00
Lare & Co	60	do	30 00
R. Johnston	13	do	6 50
W. H. Martin	40	do	20 00
James Scarborough	40	do	20 00
Demas Lutz	60	do	30 00
Lyon, Shorb & Co	20	do	10 00
Bluff to Beech alley.			
A. H. McClelland	135	do	67 50
G. Carter	9	do	4 50
H. Honeshogen	9	do	4 50
M. Flanigan	9	do	4 50
Leo Beckert	9	do	4 50
H. Heimers	9	do	4 50
C. Monk	9	do	4 50
J. W. Smith	18	do	9 00
A. Maigge	30	do	15 00
			$505 00
J. F. Schroder	90	do	45 00
H. Ellis	45	do	22 50
C. Wonderlich	15	do	7 50
F. Lintd	15	do	7 50
M. Lang	30	do	15 00
Fred Hagen	105	do	52 50
F. Schrider	15	do	7 50
J. Leraiph	17	do	8 50
J. Barrow	15	do	7 50
J. Bender	34	do	17 00
M. Aber	12	do	6 00
Bluff from Magee to Gist.			
C. Hutchison	50	50c	25 00
O. Helmode	48	do	24 00
O. Helmode	20	do	10 00
H. Zeigler	20	do	10 00
——— Govern	20	do	10 00
A. Scott	23	do	11 50
John A. Fuchs	72	do	36 00
John Morrow	108	do	54 00
W. H. Everson	72	do	36 00
Wm. Caskey	36	do	18 00
J. C. Davis	36	do	18 00
Thomas Neely	48	do	24 00
John Glass	36	do	18 00
Samuel Glass	36	do	18 00
John Morrow	49	do	24 50
			$333 50
C. C. Armour	48	do	24 00
A. G. Cubbage	147	do	73 50
J. Glass	15	do	7 50
J. Morrow	15	do	7 50
Locust from Magee to Gist.			
Mrs. Eberg	15	50c.	7 50
Thomas Neely	63	do	31 50
W. Offenheide	15	do	7 50
N. McHenry	21	do	10 50
T. Owens	21	do	10 50
J. Fox, Jr	40	do	20 00
Jacob Fox	24	do	12 00
P. Weldon	24	do	12 00
Mary B. McDonald	24	do	12 00
H. Keebner	13	do	6 50
C. Stattleinder	13	do	6 50
A. Meixner	25	do	12 50
N. Puchta	24	do	12 00
H. Stedakin	24	do	12 00
J. Dixon	24	do	12 00
Fred Menewish	24	do	12 00
T. Tubbs	19	do	9 50
W. Jenkins' heirs	39	do	19 50
W. Devlin	18	do	9 00
S. Horner	22	do	11 00
J. Flynn's heirs	45	do	22 50
Mrs. Drum	15	do	7 50
J. Munn	15	do	7 50
W. Printy	15	do	7 50
Susan Coward	15	do	7 50
G. Klinglehofer	15	do	7 50
T. Mellon	15	do	7 50
			$426 00
L. Kimm	15	do	7 50
V. Hoffenbach	15	do	7 50
H. Best	45	do	22 50
C. Bergman	30	do	15 00
P. Duff's heirs	20	do	10 00
Wm. McCullough	120	do	60 00
H. Jungling	29	do	14 50
S. H. Spiggott	29	do	14 50
J. G. Weldon	36	do	18 00
J. G. Yackel	48	do	24 00
M. Stout	18	do	9 00
P. Rice	18	do	9 00
F. Quinlin	18	do	9 00
F. Perrett	24	do	12 00
P. Kleber	24	do	12 00
J. Sichelstick	24	do	12 00
J. Wagner's heirs	24	do	12 00
J. Doolbar	24	do	12 00
J. Bunfang	20	do	10 00
F. Sparkman	25	do	12 50
Lyon, Shorb & Co	168	do	80 00
Wm. Gallehue	23	do	11 50
Crawley	9	do	4 50
Mrs. Minesage	9	do	4 50
Mrs. Caroline Bender	9	do	4 50
R. Story	24	do	12 00
Maria Street.			
T. Kennedy	15	do	7 50
W. Fowler	30	do	15 00
J. Weisburn	20	do	10 00
D. Hutchinson	20	do	10 00
			$402 50
Apple alley.			
J. Fox	40	do	20 00
William Frainer	13	do	6 50
F. M. Brown	13	do	6 50
Quince alley.			
J. McLain	10	do	5 00
C. Knight	14	do	7 00
J. McIntosh	8	do	4 00
J. McQuillin	8	do	4 00
W. Lewis	11	do	5 50
Vickroy Street.			
F. Deitrich	23	do	11 50
C. Kleman	23	do	11 50
G. Hekerman	23	do	11 50
C. & E. King	23	do	11 50
J. Aaskin's Heirs	23	do	11 50
J. Kober	23	do	11 50
D. Hutchinson	46	do	23 00
W. Linderman	23	do	11 50
J. F. Meyer	23	do	11 50
C. Leppert	23	do	11 50
A. Hultzman	23	do	11 50
			$196 50
Harper street.			
G. Homer	30	50c	15 00
M. Schad	18	do	9 00
H. Meyer	18	do	9 00
Gibbon street.			
W. Black	15	do	7 50
J. G. Harmeyer	15	do	7 50
J. Deivire	15	do	7 50
J. T. Mawhinney	15	do	7 50
J. L. Hamilton	15	do	7 50
C. Bergman	15	do	7 50
Barbara Bergman	15	do	7 50
J. Pfeifer	15	do	7 50
F. Sitler	16	do	8 00
P. Gauart	16	do	8 00
J. Greiner	33	do	16 50
T. Walker	19	do	9 50
G. Seitz	33	do	16 50
J. Morrow	38	do	16 50
J. Goebel	16	do	8 00
L. Duerr	15	do	7 50
R. Keife	15	do	7 50
J. Lauer	18	do	9 00
City of Pittsburgh for			680 43
			$880 43

Respectfully submitted,
ROBERT VANDEVORT,
JAMES CASSIDY,
M. EDWARDS,
Viewers.
DECEMBER 11, 1874.

The Coal Trade.

The quantity sent for the first week by rail was 67,340 tons; by canal, 3,352—for the week, 70,692 tons, against 73,225 tons for the corresponding week last year; decrease, 2,523 tons. The supply sent from all the regions was 239,943 tons anthracite, and 51,805 bituminous; for the week, 291,750 tons, against 272,850 for the corresponding week last year—increase for the week, 18,899 tons. The whole supply sent from all the regions embraced in our present table so far this year is 21,148,602 tons, against 21,920,661 to corresponding period last year—decrease so far, 777,089 tons, of which 609,199 tons are anthracite.—*Pottsville Miner's Journal.*

A PARIS medical student has just died insane, having become so in consequence of an event that happened in the dissecting room. His subject had been placed in a sitting posture while frozen, and its right arm was kept above its head against gravity by the icy condition of the tissues, and as he worked, lost in his labor, his arm came down and the cold hand struck the student on the cheek. It was clear upon investigation that the hot fire made for the student had thawed the tissues, but the impression made upon his mind was too deep to be removed by a rational explanation. Yet these are the kind of fellows who hoot out professors whose politics they dislike.

A CALIFORNIA man lately rode 170 miles on horseback, in 48 hours.

Pittsburgh Bank for Savings,
No. 61 Fourth Ave., Pittsburgh.
CHARTERED IN 1862.
Assets January 1, 1873, - - - $778,251.56
OPEN DAILY from 9 to 4 o'clock, and SATURDAY EVENING, from May 1st to November 1st, from 7 to 9 o'clock, and from November 1st to May 1st, 6 to 8 o'clock. Interest paid at the rate of 6 per cent., computed from the 1st and 15th of each month, and if not withdrawn, compounds semi-annually, in January and July. Books of By-Laws, &c., furnished at the office.
Board of Managers—George A. Berry, President; John Scott, Jas. Park, jr., Vice Presidents;

FINANCIAL.

FRANKLIN SAVINGS FUND
AND
SAFE DEPOSIT COMPANY,
Cor. Seventh Avenue and Smithfield Street.

Incorporated by Legislature of Pennsylvania.

CAPITAL, - - - - - - $250,000.

Interest allowed on deposits. Short Loans on Valuable Property, Real or Personal. Discounts daily.

Open daily from 9 A. M. to 3 P. M., and on Saturdays from 7 to 9 P. M.

JOSEPH M. GAZZAM, President.
GEO. M. REED, Vice President.
J. W. H. COCHRANE, Cashier.

DIRECTORS.

J. M. Gazzam, Andrew J. Lee,
J. F. Smith, George M. Reed,
Frank Kohne.
JOHN G. MACONNELL, Solicitor.

PRAETSCH, STROUS & CO.,
BANKERS AND BROKERS,
No. 58 FOURTH AVENUE,
Pittsburgh, Pa.

Deposits received and interest allowed on daily balances.
Collections made on all points of the United States.
We buy and sell Stocks, Bonds and Government Securities on Commission.

Mortgages and Commercial Paper
A SPECIALTY.

Passage tickets to and from Europe and Sight Drafts on England, Ireland and Scotland at lowest rates.

SHOE AND LEATHER BANK,
14 Smithfield Street,
PITTSBURGH, PA.

CAPITAL, - - - - - - $200,000.

D. R. DAVIDSON, President.
JOHN D. FRASER, Cashier.

Deposits received and 6 per cent. interest allowed Time Deposits. Particular attention given to collections and proceeds promptly remitted.

GERMAN NATIONAL BANK,
Cor. Wood St. and Sixth Ave.

CAPITAL, - - - - - - $250,000.
SURPLUS, - - - - - - 127,000.

Interest allowed on Time Deposits.
Exchange on Germany, France, England and Switzerland at lowest rates. Collections made promptly on all parts of the United States and Canadas. Particular attention given to all business of correspondents.

DIRECTORS—A. Groetzinger, J. F. Havekotte, W. F. Lang, J. C. Dickson, E. H. Moore, Chas. Lang, Paul Hugus, Christ. Seibert, P. Haberman.
A. GROETZINGER, President.
JOSEPH EICHBAUM, Cashier.

INTERNATIONAL BANK,
Cor. Liberty and Market Sts.
CAPITAL.....$200,000.

PAYS INTEREST ON DEPOSITS.

5 per cent, per annum upon daily balances—from native non-borrowing accounts—payable on demand.

6 per cent. per annum on special deposits for 60 days and upwards. Special agreements relating to Interest made. Notes and Bills purchased.

W. H. ARMSTRONG, President.
WM. NEEB, Vice President.
F. E. MOORE, Cashier.

DAILY GAZETTE.

FINANCIAL.

Latest Advices Concerning Money and Stock Matters.

OFFICE OF THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE, TUESDAY, December 22, 1874.

Few demands were made for loans at the banks yesterday. Good paper is gladly taken, but rates are firmer, in fact the Real Estate is more inquired after than it has been for a time, and property eligibly located maintains its value well. In New York the prices of stocks have declined rapidly within a few days, and the bears seem to have full sway. We do not think prices have touched bottom, but some of them are very low.

The New York *Herald* says of the Saturday decline: The excitement in the stock market of yesterday was to-day intensified by the further success of the bear movement and the establishment of values lower than have been known for many months. Indeed, at one time there existed all the premonitory symptoms of a panic, and stocks were tumbled overboard with a recklessness that showed complete subjugation. The leader of the speculation was again Wabash, and it was this that produced the great scare of the day. As the story goes, a member of the Board had purchased from 15,000 to 20,000 shares; but finding himself unable to meet his engagements announced the fact, and in due course of business the President proceeded to sell them out "under the rule." The first sale of this character was made at 25¾, from which the price steadily continued to drop until it touched the almost unprecedented figure of 21¾. From this point reaction commenced, and sales were made at 22, 22¼, 24, and finally 22½. The weakness of Wabash was quickly communicated to Pacific Mail, which had opened at 37¾ and advanced to 38¾. At this juncture information was published that the manager had received a telegram from the State Department at Washington, stating that the steamer Japan of the line had been lost at sea and that the insurance on the same was only $1,500,000. This unwelcome news, coming so aptly to aid the bears, caused a depression in the stock from this price to 36¾@36½, but subsequent sales showed recovery and a disposition to maintain the average figures of the day. The close was made at 36¾. Following Pacific Mail in point of weakness was Northwest common, which fell off from 45 to 43¾, and ended at 43¾.

Luther S. Kaufman, Broker, No. 96 Fourth Avenue, furnishes the following quotations of bonds and stocks from the latest advices by telegraph:

	Opened.	Closed
Gold	111¼	111¼
U. S. Sixes—1861—coupons	121	121¾
5-20 1862	113¾	113¾
20—1864	113½	113½
" 1865	117¼	117¼
" 1865 new	119¾	119¾
" 1867	120¾	120¾
" 1868—coupons	120¾	120¾
10-40's	113¾	113¾
Currency 6's	117¼	117¼
New 5cents	113½	113½
10-40's—coupons	114¼	114¼
RAILWAYS.	106½	106¾
New York Central	27¾	27¾
Erie	97	97
C. C. C. & I.	9	9
St. Paul		36½
Do. Pref		79¾
Michigan Southern	79¾	79¾
Do. Central	81	78
North Western Common	44¼	43¾
Do. Pref	57	59
Rock Island	106½	106½
Cleveland & Pittsburgh	87¾	88¼
Pacific Mail	38¾	36¾
Western Union Telegraph	91¾	89¾
Ohio & Mississippi	30	30½
Union Pacific	33¾	34
Toledo & Wabash	23¾	22¾
Harlem	128	127
Adams Express	116	116½
American Express	61¾	61¾
U. S. Express	63	62½
W., Fargo & Co. Express	82½	82½
A. & P. Pref.	16½	16½
Fort Wayne	94¾	94¾
Hannibal & St. Joseph	24¾	24¾
Panama	113½	113½

Luther S. Kaufman furnishes the following quotations of active stock on the Philadelphia Stock Board to-day:

	Bid.	Asked.
Penna Central	82¾	
" scrip	15¾	
Reading	36	
United Cos. of N. J.	129½	
Oil Creek	8½	8¾
Lehigh Valley	44	
Central Transportation	44	44¼
Empire Do	55	
A. V. R. R. 7-30	103	

NEW YORK, December 21, 1874.

Money was easy early in the day at 3½@4, but closed firm at 4@5; prime mercantile paper 6@7½, and single named 6½@8, with miscellaneous at 9@12. Sterling was dull and steady at 484½@486 for sixty days and demand. Gold was dull at 111⅝@111¾. The borrowing rates were flat; carrying 1-64. The clearings were $21,000,000. The customs receipts were $168,000. The Treasury disbursements were $60,000. Governments were strong and in brisk demand. Railroad bonds were less active than usual, with prices steady at the opening, and quiet and steady in late dealings, except in Michigan Southern, which consolidated gold bonds, which declined to 81. State bonds were quiet and steady. There was a renewed depression on the Stock Exchange and a further marked decline in prices. At the opening the market declined slightly, but soon became firm. This, however, did not last long, for under the influence of reported failures and a renewed attack of the bears, the whole list was depressed, a new chief interest in Pacific Mail and Wabash. After it became know that only one firm suspended, prices advanced 1-2 to 1 1-2 per cent, against a decline early in the day of 1-2 to 3 1-8 per cent. The market closed firm. The fluctuations in the most active stocks were as follows: Wabash 1 1-2, Western Union 1¾, Northwest 1¾, Pacific Mail 3 1-8, St. Paul 1, Ohios 3-4, and Lake Shore 1. Considerable lots of Erie, Northwestern common, Rock Island, St. Paul, Wabash, Pacific Mail, Western Union Telegraph and Columbus, Chicago & Indiana Central were closed out "under the rule" for account of defaulting parties—Fysch & Comings—which created considerable excitement, as they were thought to be a solid house. The advance at the close was followed by purchases to cover "short" contracts. Many bears availed themselves of the opportunity to buy stocks they were short of. The transactions aggregated 247,000 shares, of which 55,000 were Pacific Mail, 32,000 Union, 52,000 Northwest, 8,000 Rock Island, 6,000 St. Paul, 8,000 Erie, 33,000 Lake Shore, 7,000 Ohio & Mississippi, 34,000 Wabash, and 17,000 Union Pacific. It appears on investigation that Mr. Wright, who was expelled from the Board to-day, purchased 16,000 shares of stock at a time when his bank account was overdrawn.

Governments.—U. S. coupons of 1881, 120¾; 5-20's of '62, 113¾; do of '64, 113¼; do of '65, 117⅜; do new, 119¾; do of '67, 120¾; do of '68, 120¾; 10-40s, 114¼; new 5s, 113½; currency 6s, 127⅜.

State Bonds.—Missouri, 6s, 97; Tennessee, old, 79; do new, 78; Virginia new, 37; do old, 36; North Carolina, old, 29; do new, 15.

Stocks.—Canton, 80; Western Union Telegraph Company, 79¾; Quicksilver, 33¾; Adams Express, 116¾; Wells, Fargo & Co.'s Express, 82½; American Express, 61¾; United States Express, 62; Pacific Mail, 36; New York Central, 106¾; Erie, 27¾; do preferred, 49; Harlem, 127; do preferred, 125; Michigan Central, 80; Pittsburgh, Ft. Wayne & Chicago, 88½; Northwestern common, 44¼; do preferred, 69; Rock Island, 107; New Jersey Central, 106; St. Paul, 36¾; do, preferred, 83; Toledo & Wabash, 23¾; do, preferred, 38; Fort Wayne, 94¾; Terre Haute, 7; do, preferred, 27; Chicago & Alton, 103½; do, preferred, 108; Ohio & Mississippi, 30¾; Cleveland, Columbus & Cincinnati, 63¾; Burlington & Quincy, 107½; Lake Shore, 79¾; Panama, 9; Illinois Central, 97; Union Pacific, 34; Central Pacific, 95¾; Union, 92; Delaware & Lackawanna, 108¾.

LONDON, December 21—5 P. M.—The amount of bullion gone into the Bank of England on balance to-day was £21,000. The rate of discount in open market for three months' bills is 5½ per cent. Consols, money, 91⅞@91¾; account, 92@92⅛; 5-20's of '65, 106½; do of '67, 107; 10-40's, 104; new 5s, 104; New York Central, 93; Erie, 25; do preferred, 42.

PARIS, December 21.—Rentes 61f 42½c.

COMMERCIAL.

Condition of the Markets at Home and Abroad.

PITTSBURGH MARKETS—WEEKLY REVIEW.

OFFICE OF THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE, MONDAY, Dec. 21, 1874.

General business continues dull, and there is no probability of any improvement until after the holidays; our merchants and manufacturers are nearly all complaining, many of them alleging that trade with them is now, and has been for some time past, more depressed than at any time since the panic, that, in addition to a very limited demand for goods, there has been little or no margin for profit, and, furthermore, that collections are unsatisfactory. The grain trade has been very dull during the week under review, and with a diminished demand and increased offerings, both Corn and Oats have declined. Flour continues dull but unchanged, and there is plenty of room for improvement in the grocery trade. The hog product continues in an unsettled condition, and while there has been no quotable decline in prices, the tendency is toward a lower range of rates. In general produce trade is very dull, more so than at any time since early in the Fall, and we do not look for any decided improvement until next month.

APPLES—There is no improvement to note in the demand, which is confined entirely to supplying immediate wants, and with a liberal supply and holders, if anything, more anxious to realize, the market is dull and weak, and prices are barely maintained. Sales, in a jobbing way, at $1.50@2 ₱ bbl for common to fair and $2.25@2.50 for prime to choice. The shipments have been quite limited, large, and the prospects for an early advance in prices are not regarded as very encouraging.

BUTTER—Fine Table—The market continues quiet and unchanged, the supply although not large, is in excess of present requirements; quotable, in kegs, at 30@36c ₱ gallon for prime to choice.

ASHES—The market for almost everything in this line continues dull, and there is scarcely enough doing to establish quotations.

ALE—Trade in this article continues, as it has been during the past year, dull and unsatisfactory to brewers, for, in addition to a curtailed consumption, there is no margin for profit. Prices remain unchanged, and we quote XX at $3 ₱ bbl in the country and $8 to city; XX, $10; India Ale, $11. Half bbls in regular proportion.

BEANS—There is no improvement to note in the demand, and with liberal receipts and the supply accumulating, holders generally are anxious to realize, and prices are weak, but without quotable change; quotations, in a jobbing way, may be given at $1.90@2 ₱ bushel for medium and $2.10@2.25 for choice. Car lots would be sold at a concession on jobbing quotations, but the demand is almost entirely confined to small lots.

BUCKWHEAT FLOUR—The market is well supplied and dull, but prices remain unchanged—$3@3.25 ₱ bbl, or $2.50@2.80 ₱ sack.

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LARD OIL—The market continues quiet and unchanged, the supply although not large, is in excess of present requirements; quotable, in kegs, at 60@65c ₱ gallon for prime to choice.

ASHES—The market for almost everything in this line continues dull, and there is scarcely enough doing to establish quotations.

ALE—Trade in this article continues, as it has been during the past year, dull and unsatisfactory to brewers, for, in addition to a curtailed consumption, there is no margin for profit. Prices remain unchanged, and we quote XX at $3 ₱ bbl in the country and $8 to city; XX, $10; India Ale, $11. Half bbls in regular proportion.

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HOME NEWS.

Hurt by a Fall.

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Cigar Store Robbed.

About eleven o'clock on Sunday night some person, who either had a key or a skeleton key, entered the cigar sto re of W. Marcus, No. 292 Ohio street, Allegheny, and stole about $12 worth of tobacco and cigars. The empty boxes were found some squares away yesterday morning. There is no clue to the thieves.

Receiving Stolen Goods.

Louisa Shannon and Fredericka Bach were arrested last evening, on a charge of larceny or receiving stolen goods, preferred by Dr. Goehring, before Mayor Fleming. About a year and a half ago a marble-top table was stolen from the Doctor's office, and was yesterday recovered in the house of the defendants. They gave bail for trial at court.

Allegheny Fourth Ward Night School.

The night schools of the Fourth ward, Allegheny, which were for three months past under the supervision of Prof. S. A. Espy, ably assisted by Misses Hamilton and Smith, closed last night with a panoramic entertainment for the amusement and instruction of the pupils.

The Luzerne County Murder.

Detective Seth Wilmot yesterday evening received a dispatch from Scranton, Pa., requesting him to hold Neil Paul, who is alleged to have murdered Neil McBride, at Jeansville, in February last, and stating that officer Graham would arrive in the city this morning for the purpose of escorting Paul to Luzerne county for trial.

The Gospel Meetings Discontinued.

Owing to the continued illness of Major Whittle and his family, it was thought best by the ministers present at the meeting last night, at the Third Presbyterian church, to suspend the series of meetings which have been in progress for some time. The noon meeting at the Y. M. C. A. rooms will be held as usual, but the Bible readings and evening meetings will not be held.

Attempted Burglary.

Last night, about eleven o'clock, two unknown men attempted to enter the saloon of John Driscoll, between Twenty-fifth and Twenty-sixth streets on Liberty, but were unsuccessful. It appears that Mr. Driscoll left home about ten o'clock, and at the time stated, the would-be burglars forced open the window shutters at the rear of the building, and were just about to enter, when Mrs. D. opened a window in the second story, and on being discovered in their work, they made their escape.

The Industrial Institute.

This afternoon at two o'clock another meeting will be held of the Tradesmen's Industrial Institute, for the purpose of adopting by-laws and perfecting the organization. The propriety of holding an Industrial Institute in 1875 will also be discussed, and Dr. Woods, Chancellor of the Western University, will give some information on the matter of Technical Education, which is a subject he has given special attention. A general invitation is extended to business men and others to be present.

Bank Showing.

The following returns obtained from the Collector's office shows the average capital and deposits in the banks of the Twenty second District of Pennsylvania for six months ending Nov. 30, 1874, exclusive of the National Banks, which make their reports directto the Secretary of the Treasury:

Average taxable capital	$39,386,040	
Tax		$16 410 85
Capital invested in U. S. bonds not taxable..	572,371	
Average deposits	78,330,120	
Tax		32,637 55
Total tax		$49,084 40
Actual capital per mo..	6,564,340	
Actual deposits per mo	13,055,020	

Judging from the Great Crowds

of people who thronged our establishment last week, of what we may expect during the days between now and Christmas, and fearing that we may be obliged to close our doors temporarily during the afternoons to prevent our sales rooms from becoming too much crowded, we should like to suggest to all who may desire to make their purchases of Christmas Goods, to call as early in the morning as possible, and if they can conveniently do so not to defer their visit until the last day. We shall do all in our power to accommodate all who may favor us with their patronage, and will have them waited upon as promptly as possible. The establishment will be kept open the night before Christmas only, and will close other evenings as usual. All the departments being fully stocked up again for the sales of this week, there will be no scarcity of goods. WM. SEMPLE, No. 165, 167 and 169 Federal street, Allegheny.

Temperance.

The mass meeting to be held this evening in Smithfield street M. E. church, under the auspices of the Woman's Temperance Alliance, promises to be a very interesting occasion. Among the speakers announced is the name of Rev. W. W. Broom, of Cleveland, Ohio, of whom Rev. L. D. McCabe, of the Ohio Wesleyan University, says: "I am happy to say that I listened to one of the most interesting and profitable lectures, on the great subject of *Temperance*, from the lips of the Rev. W. W. Broom, that I have ever heard in my life. I have listened to the oratory of the celebrated Henry Vincent, from England, but during the address of W. W. Broom I concluded that for my ear and for my sympathies, I much prefer the elocution, thought and words of the latter to the former." Wendell Phillips says: "Rev. W. W. Broom is a rousing speaker and a nervous writer." Addresses will also be delivered by a number of other prominent speakers.

Alleged Incest.

Jacob Flockerce called at the Mayor's office yesterday and at his request Detective Messner accompanied him to get his daughter from what he termed a Penn avenue house of ill repute. He said he was on the eve of leaving for New York and wanted his daughter to accompany him. The detective found the girl in the house designated but he did not discover that it was a place of ill fame. The girl is about sixteen years of age and while on her way to the Mayor's office stated that her mother was dead and that about three years ago she came to this country at the request of her father who sent for her. He met her in New York and committed incest with her three different times, the last time being in a house on Liberty street. She repeated her story to Acting Mayor McMasters whereupon he took her information against her father, who was locked up until four o'clock when he had a hearing and in default of $5,000 bail was committed to jail for trial.

Bill of Peace.

A bill of peace was filed in the United States Circuit Court yesterday, by Benjamin Darlington et al., against Bernard L. Meister et al.

After setting forth the reasons therefor, the orators asks that a preliminary injunction may be granted restraining the respondents from transferring the title which they hold under the alleged daughter of William A. Mowry to others, and that they may also be enjoined from bringing suit in any other Court in the United States, except writs of error to the Supreme Court of the United States, in the cases just concluded, or such others as the Circuit Court may authorize.

The Court granted a restraining order, and fixed the 20th day of March, 1875 as the time for the argument of the claims, as stated in the petition.

It will be observed that this action grows out of the Chippewa claim which has been on trial for the last two weeks in the United States Court and which was concluded yesterday.

Presents to Teachers, and School Entertainments.

To the Editors of the Pittsburgh Gazette:

With the "citizen" whose communication appears in this morning's paper, I also give my testimony against the pernicious custom of giving presents by the children to public school teachers. In saying, as I do, that in many instances the parents are fully aware of what is going on, and if not consenting at least, making no attempt to prevent it.

Another evil to be suppressed is the giving entertainments, at 25 or 50 cents a head for admission (and where does the money go?) for which many children are drilled weeks ahead of the time of exhibition, to an almost entire neglect of the studies for which they are sent to school—and for what? That the Principal and teachers may point to the "smartness" of their pupils in exhibiting in dialogue the virtues and abilities of pupils, which in too man instances are only conspicuous from their absence. Let there be a stop to such nonsense, asks ANOTHER CITIZEN.

Fourth Ward, Allegheny.

Meeting of the Temperance Alliance Yesterday.

A meeting of the Temperance Alliance was held at their rooms yesterday, corner of Sixth street and Penn avenue, T. H. Rabe in the chair. It was decided to take proper steps for a thorough canvass previous to the February election, and it was thought evening meetings should be held, beginning soon after the holidays for the purpose of awaking an interest in behalf of the temperance candidates.

The Committee on issuing a Temperance Paper reported that they are now engaged in negotiating with a view of engaging a first-class temperance writer to edit one or two columns of a daily paper exclusively in the interest of temperance.

The violations of the license laws were discussed, and a committee appointed to ascertain the amount of the fines which had been imposed on liquor dealers for illegal selling within the past few weeks.

The following committee was appointed to secure organization and collect funds: Messrs. J. H. Burt, Joseph Wilson, R. B. Macchesney, W. B. Ross and W. G. Warren.

After announcing the subject for discussion on next Monday, the meeting adjourned.

PITTSBURGH COUNCILS.

Meeting of Select Branch Yesterday.

All the Business Swept From the Table — The Charges Against Street Commissioner Spreen — Passage of the Revision Ordinance — Special Committee Reports, &c.

SELECT COUNCIL.

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The following members were present at roll call: Messrs. Adams, Ahl, Aiken, Anderson, Atterbury, Braun, Breed, Brown, Bates, Chislett, Clark, Dannells, Doyle, Elder, Foster, Fox, Goldthorpe, Herron, Holliday, House, Hunter, Kestner, Lloyd, Littell, Mitchell, Meyer, Moore, Murray, Musgrave, A. G. McCandless, J. Guy McCandless, McClurg, McCune, McFarland, McMasters, McMahon, Negley, Rafferty, Scheck, Scully, Watson, Smith, and President Gross.

The following members were absent: Messrs. Ahlborn, Atkinson, Bissell, Burgwin, Benj. Darlington, H. Darlington, Dietrich, Dorrington, Eitemiller, Fetterman, Froelich, Haines, Harrison, Howard, Jones, Kernan, Keebler, Knapp, Lally, Liddell, Macfarlane, Marshal, O'Neil, Rayburn, Shipton, and Spahr.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The special order of business was the consideration of the report of the Water Committee, but on motion of Mr. Mitchell it was referred to the Finance Committee, as the gentleman thought that was the proper place for a discussion of the question of an additional issue of bonds for the completion of the Water Works.

Mr. BRAUN, resolution for a warrant in favor of Dr. Dickson for $165, recommended by the Police Committee. Passed.

Mr. MCMAHON, petition of John Fitzsimmons for assessment of damages caused by the grading and paving of Hemlock alley in the Seventeeth ward. Referred.

Mr. MCCUNE presented an ordinance authorizing the exchange of registered Water Extension bonds. Passed.

Mr. MITCHELL, petition of Mr. Richey for refunding of business tax. Referred.

Mr. WATSON, petition of H. Wood for reduction of business tax. Referred.

THE BOARD OF REVISION.

Mr. HUNTER called up an ordinance amending section 6 of an ordinance entitled "an ordinance for the equalization of the valuations of taxable property," ordained Oct. 26, 1872.

Mr. ELDER moved to amend the ordinance by giving the Board of Revision forty days in which to do its work, instead of twenty days. The motion was lost, and Mr. Aiken offered another amendment in the form of a section to be incorporated in the ordinance providing that "this ordinance together with the ordinance passed October 26, 1872, shall be repealed. The officers now elected under said ordinance to continue to serve until the expiration of their term of office."

The amendment was lost and the ordinance as offered by Mr. Hunter was passed finally.

Mr. BROWN, viewers report on Forbes street sewer. Approved.

Mr. R. H. NEGLEY presented the report of the Special Committee appointed to investigate charges preferred by C. Howard against Mechanical Engineer Lowry. The report, which stated that the charges were not sustained, was received and filed.

Also, petition of A. J. Davis of the Nineteenth ward in relation to Fairmont avenue. Referred.

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COMMISSIONER SPREEN'S RESIGNATION.

Mr. ADAMS presented the resignation of H. C. Spreen, Commissioner of the Sixth street District.

Mr. RAFFERTY moved that the acceptance of the resignation be postponed until the completion of the investigation which has already been instituted into the charges against Mr. Spreen.

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AMUSEMENTS.

Pittsburgh Opera House.

Bartley Campbell's "Virginian" was presented last night for the first time in this city, formerly the home of the author, who is well known here. Mr. Frank E. Aiken interpreted the character of *Van* in a thoroughly satisfactory way. The plot of the drama is not at all intricate, but while it is interesting and the dialogue entertaining, the play does not by any means overshadow the leading character. The scene is laid in Pennsylvania and Virginia during the days of the war and some of the situations are quite striking and effective. Mr. Aiken is a first-class actor, easy, smooth and graceful, and his rendition of *Van* was a personation entirely satisfactory to the audience and highly creditable to himself.

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Fifth Avenue Theatre.

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Musical Concert.

The first concert of the current session of the Pennsylvania State college, on Fifth avenue, in the East End, will be given this evening under the direction of Professor H. E. Lippert, who will be assisted by Mrs. S. Hershey. The programme comprises piano solos and duetts and vocal selections from the compositions of the great masters. The entertainment commences at ten minutes of eight o'clock.

Dr. Guard's Lecture.

Last evening, the Rev. Dr. Guard, of Baltimore, delivered the first of his lectures in Library Hall, before an audience which in numbers was not as large as it should have been, but in quality was of the very first class. The subject of the evening discourse was "Life and its Possibilities." The speaker was introduced about eight o'clock by His Honor Judge Collier, and proceeded without notes or manuscript to discuss and develop his theme in a way that was at once so entertaining, instructive and eloquent, that he had no trouble in detaining his hearers, and maintaining an unflagging interest for the two hours.

The drift of his thought first led him into a consideration of life in general, as something indefinable,—an energizing influence, emanating from Divinity, and to be found everywhere. This life was found in all the varied departments of nature, and at last found its completest development in humanity. Man was the perfection of life, greater than the world he lived in;—greater than the angels,—second only to the Deity itself. The speaker in developing this idea, found full play for a solid logic intermixed with the lively fancy, during which the scientists of the Darwian School were considered with keen and polished sarcasm,—the speaker endeavoring to convict them out of their own mouths, and succeeding in his task. Passing next from this rather metaphysical, but very clearly demonstrated proposition of life, and its origin and presence, attention was next turned to the possibilities of the life exemplified in man. The line of argument here was that the possibilities before man placed him on vantage ground above all created intelligences, and that his duties were to cultivate and develop the powers which had been given to him, and develop his powers of soul and intellect under the inspiration of reason and intelligence guided and controlled by conscience.

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BREVITIES.

Paragraphic Pencilings of Passing Events.

....Edward Carr will be tried to-morrow for the murder of Thomas Dolan.

....Allegheny Councils will hold a regular meeting on Thursday evening.

....The Street Committee meets this afternoon to pay a visit to Forbes street.

....Miller, the unfortunate man who was stabbed on Mt. Washington a few days ago, cannot recover.

....."Fatty" Boyle escaped from the Workhouse on Saturday, and has not yet been recaptured.

....About two dozen persons are candidates for the vacant Street Commissionership in the Sixth District.

....It was not Thomas Higgins, but Wm. Deany who was sent to jail for thirty days by the Quarter Sessions Court on Saturday.

....The Street Committee of Allegheny Councils met yesterday afternoon and examined Troy Hill road and McClure avenue.

....The Fair and Festival of the Grace Episcopal church on Mt. Washington will net about eight hundred dollars after all expenses are paid.

....Some time yesterday morning the til in Mrs. Savage's saloon on Rebecca street, Allegheny, was robbed of its contents—a small sum of money.

....The old window glass house of Cunningham and Ihnasen, South side has been abandoned, and all the business transferred to the new factory.

....The Duquesne Greys will give a public reception and review at City Hall, on Tuesday, January 26th, for which a number of invitations to ladies have been issued.

....The dial on the south side of the City Hall tower, which has been such a great mystery to those trying to tell the time of day, was removed yesterday and a new one put in.

....A true bill was returned by the Grand Jury yesterday against William Murray and Frederick Myers, charged with the murder of Gottlieb Wahl, on the Perrysville road.

....It is said that after the verdict of the jury in the Mowry ejectment case was announced yesterday, Meister declared that the land belonged to him and not the defendants.

....The Allegheny fire alarm bell will commence the system of striking every third hour, at six o'clock this morning. The clock by which the bell is struck was put up yesterday.

....Deputy Coroner McGuffin was made the recipient of a handsome pair of "kids" yesterday from the ladies employed in the Second ward schools. He said it took him two hours to put them on.

....One thousand dollars reward is offered by the County Commissioners for the arrest of the assassin or assassins of Superintendent Hershey of the Duquesne Coal works last Wednesday.

....The taps upon the Allegheny fire alarm bell yesterday afternoon were occasioned by the putting up of the gong and making the connections in the new engine house on Sandusky street.

....A rumor was afloat yesterday, after the Indian case was closed, that Meister had left the city without paying the board bill of himself or his witnesses. It was without foundation in any way.

....Last evening as Mr. Richard Hammer was driving up the Troy Hill road, Allegheny, one of his horses, a valuable one, suddenly staggered and fell to the ground and died in a few minutes.

....The lock-out between the manufacturers and puddlers is complete. Not a puddling furnace in Allegheny county is running. The few that kept in operation for a short time all shut down on Saturday.

....Officer Tim McInerny last night arrested Frank Castle and Morris Coleman for breaking open the boxes in front of the Diamond market, for the supposed purpose of robbery. They are held for a hearing to-day.

....Mr. Joseph Lare has been put forward by the Democrats as a candidate for Council in the Fourth ward, Allegheny, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Mr. McNeill. The election takes place to-day.

....A few evenings ago Mr. James McKibben, of Hazlewood, was assaulted by a stranger on Second avenue, near Murland & Scott's brick works, as is supposed, for the purpose of robbing him, but the stranger failed in his purpose.

....The Columbia Fire Company in Allegheny moved into their new house on Sandusky street, yesterday, and are very much pleased with their new quarters. They are engaged all day putting everything in order and cleaning up.

....A Fifth avenue street car ran into Schmertz's buggy yesterday evening opposite McVey's livery stable, and demolished it. The vehicle contained a lady and three children, and although they were bruised somewhat none were seriously hurt.

....The fair and festival at the Grace Episcopal church on Mt. Washington is prov ingan eminent success. Miss Maggie Douglass was the fortunate contestant for an engagement ring, and on Saturday night, gold ring, as announced on Saturday night.

....The interest in the Union M. E. church, Allegheny city, is still increasing. The house is incapable of accommodating the crowds that are flocking to it. Last Sabbath it had crowded. The middle church, making two hundred and seventy-two.

....The Committee on Wharves and Landings of Allegheny Councils met last evening and appointed bills amounting to $533. The Controller reported to them that hey had spent $6,397 during the year, and still had a balance of $941.58 in their appropriation.

....Officer Harry Moore of Alderman Krehan's office, South Side, arrested two men a day or two since, named respectively Andrew Trump and Henry Doerr, charged with robbing Patrick Scanlon, a contractor, of a gold watch valued at $225, on the Tenth street bridge on Monday night of last week. They will have a hearing to-morrow.

....Frank Holland, *alias* Hall, was arrested last night by officer Reilly for entering a saloon at the Point and robbing the till of two dollars contained in the till, and a pistol. The weapon and $5.48, also a number of pocket handkerchiefs marked "Charles Machesney" and "Sully" were found on his person. The prisoner lives in Fineview alley. He was incarcerated in the Central Police Station for a hearing to-day.

....The election for Congressman in the Twenty-third District, to fill the unexpired term of Mr. McJunkin, takes place to-day, and a full vote should be polled. Col. John M. Thompson, of Butler county, is the Republican candidate, and nothing but the apathy of his friends will prevent him from being elected by a large majority. If the Republican should neglect his duty on this occasion, and the election of Col. Thompson will be assured.

PERSONAL.

***Hon. A. G. Cochran has gone to St. Louis to try an important ejectment suit.

BOLD DAYLIGHT ROBBERY.

A House Ransacked—A Valuable Haul.

Yesterday evening Chief Clark, of Allegheny, was notified of a very bold robbery which had occurred some time during the afternoon at the residence of Mr. Charles McChesney. It appears that shortly after noon the entire family went out, and before doing so locked up the house. On returning home a few hours later, everything in the house was in the greatest confusion,—bureau-drawers, clothes closets, trunks and everything of that kind broken open—and their contents strewed over the house. It was then evident that the burglars had been in the house, and everything gathered up, when it was found that a gold watch, a large gold ring, a revolver, a $40 shawl, several suits of Mr. McChesney's clothing and a great deal of his underclothing and three full suits of boy's clothing, and a large number of other articles had been stolen, worth in all, perhaps, $400 or $500. During the search it was found that the thieves had gained an entrance through a rear window. They had first broken a pane of glass in the upper sash, and then reached in and removed the fastenings above the lower sash and then raised the window and stepped in. Chief Clark is making every effort to get some clue to the thieves. No person saw them either entering or leaving the house, so it is very difficult to get track of them.

Innocent, Mental and Physical Amusements.

The American people are fast learning the lesson that "All work and no play" makes Jack a dull boy, and that pleasurable relaxation from the cares and worry of business is as necessary to a full, healthful, mental and physical activity and vigor as is daily food or nightly sleep. The idea is fast becoming prevalent that the majority of amusements in themselves innocent, when not perverted or abused. In this connection we may make mention of the practice of bowling as being an exhilarating and healthful exercise, and one not so likely as many others to be carried to excess, or turned from its proper use, and that parties may have every facility for engaging in this pleasurable pastime, Mr. W. H. Stroup has secured old Franklin Hall, on Fifth avenue, a few doors above Wood street, which has been fitted up at an enormous expense, in a style most sumptuous and magnificent. All the appointments of this hall are of the most costly and elegant character, the painting, papering, frescoing, decorating, carpeting and furniture being the work of master hands. Gentlemen wishing to escape from the anxieties of business, and while away a pleasant hour, will find full provision made for their mental and material comfort, for in addition to eight ten-pin alleys, supplied with every requisite for this fashionable amusement, is a reading room, provided with an abundance of reading matter and writing materials. Mr. Stroup has, by the great expenditure in fitting up this hall, made a bold venture, as the costliness of its adornments exceed that of any similar establishment in our country. To enter it, reminds one of an enchanted palace, or of the dwellings of the genii. And last, but not least, there is no bar attached and no liquors sold at Franklin Hall.

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THE COURTS.

YESTERDAYS PROCEEDINGS.

United States District Court.

(Before Judge McCandless.)

Geo. W. Rockwell, bankrupt, Erie county. The final account and petition o T. D. Woodruff, assignee, asking for a discharge, presented and filed, subject to exceptions.

Blackmore & Nelson, bankrupts, Pittsburgh. On petition of W. G. Johnston, trustee, etc., for an injunction, an order was made restraining John Richey, John Graff and his assignee, and the Dollar Savings Bank and their attorneys from interfering with the property of the bankrupts.

Harbaugh, Matthias & Owens, bankrupts, Pittsburgh. On petition of David Matthias, one of said bankrupts, rule granted on James I. Bennett and John Moorhead, assignees, to show cause why they should not convey certain property to him, the said Mathias.

George Baer and Chas. Stigmayer, copartners at Wilkesbarre, filed a petition for the adjudication in bankruptcy of themselves. The matter was referred to Register Willard of Scranton.

District Court.

(Before Judges Ewing, Kirkpatrick and White.)

The case of McKinney's assignee vs. Wood et al., is still on trial before Judge White. Judges Ewing and Kirkpatrick are hearing cases on the argument list.

Common Pleas Court.

[Before Judges Sterrett and Stowe.]

In the case of James H. Parker vs. John McMasters, an action to recover for goods sold, the defendant confessed judgment in favor of plaintiff for $78.87.

In the case of James H. Johnson vs. "Duquesne Greys," an action to recover for cleaning fire arms, the jury found for the plaintiff for $200.58.

The jury found for the plaintiff for $67.60 in the case of Frederick Steinacka vs. John Burk and wife. This was an action to recover for goods sold.

Hiram Landis vs. G. Flucke; action on a book account. Defendant confessed judgment in favor of plaintiff for $130.81.

Tenth Ward Bank, of Pittsburgh, vs. William Fleming; action to recover several hundred dollars alleged to have been overdrawn. On trial before Judge Sterrett.

Roman Biallas vs. Albert Bennett; an action to recover for work and labor done. Verdict for plaintiff for $170.50.

McGrew & Co. vs. N. Levy and J. Levy; an action to recover for work and labor done. Jury out.

R. C. Devlin et al. vs. Peter Haberman et al. Wm. Whighan, of McKeesport, appointed receiver, and C. W. Robb, Esq., appointed master and examiner.

Trial List for To-day.

Berberick vs. Baum.	
Steakley vs. Rhode.	
Glenn vs. Pittsburgh, R. R. Co.	
McGee & Hawkins vs. Oshea.	
Iron City B. & L. Ass. vs. Fisher.	
Gardner Bros. vs. Connelly Naylor & Co.	
Hellbronner vs. Ritchie & Co. Bro.	
Roedelheim et al. vs. Fecke.	
Thornton vs. Peet.	
Clark & Co. vs. Frederick et al.	
Hamilton Hall & Cottage Co. vs. Pearson.	
McElroy & Dickson vs. Farrow Gambert & Co.	
Barr vs. Crozier & Son.	
Cleveland vs. Vickrath.	
Sahl et al., ext'r, vs. Henry ext'r.	

Criminal Court.

(Before Judge Collier.)

Joseph Borland, charged with assault and battery by Robert G. Crawford, was acquitted and the prosecutor was directed to pay the costs.

Robert Crawford, George Yund and Wm. Clow were also on trial, charged with assault and battery on Joseph Borland. Yund and Clow were acquitted and Crawford was convicted.

David Anday pleaded guilty to a charge of larceny preferred by Mary Auday.

Jerry McCarty pleaded guilty to a charge of larceny preferred by Martin Reardon and was sentenced to the Work House for one year.

A *nolle prosequi* was allowed in the case Wm. Hare indicted for assault and battery, on payment of costs by defendant.

The jury is out in the case of the Commonwealth vs. John McBratney and Samuel Powell, indicted for assault with intent to rob, on oath of policeman James Campbell.

Trial List for To-day.

Commonwealth vs.	
Fred. A. Eberhardt.	Louis Ridout.
A. Miller et al.	John Andrews.
Peter Reitzel et al.	Thos. Irwin.
James Murphy.	Dan'l. Smith et al.
Pat Hughes.	Edward Parsons.
John Rough.	D. E. Hall.
C. W. Ayres.	Bridget Hagerty.
John